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# VE Day--What Road 1 Year After?

**WHY IS IT** that one year after V-E Day—May 8, 1945—the day which marked the downfall of the Nazi monster in Europe—talk of another World War is heard everywhere?

The peoples of the world are anxious about the shakiness of our present peace because the ruling circles in Washington and London are beginning to think that they can achieve what Hitler failed to achieve—world domination.

The men and cliques dominating American foreign policy today have turned their backs on the idea of genuine Big Three collaboration.

They have launched the country on a course of action that is leading toward a British-American war alliance against the Soviet Union, against Europe, and for the domination of the world.

Proof? It is clear in every action, every plan, we are carrying out.

## FAILURE TO DE-NAZIFY

We pledged one year ago at the Potsdam meeting that we would guarantee the complete destruction of Nazism in Germany. One year later there is not a single American correspondent who will not admit that the Nazis are stronger today in our zone than at any time since their defeat. We have NOT broken up the German trusts as we pledged we would.

In the British zone, Nazi armies which surrendered remain to this day undisbanded, ready for some future use.

Our State Department, goaded by such democracy-hating Tories as Sen. Vandenberg, is now pressing for a policy in Europe to encourage Spanish fascism, to make sure

Greece remains in the hands of the pro-German monarchists, and to help the landlord-feudal cliques regain their power in the Balkan countries which were allies of Hitler.

## THE STOP-THIEF ACT

To cover up its own welching of the Yalta and Potsdam agreements, on which peace was to have been based, the State Department has raised the bogey of a non-existent "Soviet aggression."

Wherever the liberated countries of Europe have created peoples' governments to oust the Quislings who fought the United States, such governments are branded as "Soviet puppets."

Every pro-fascist group in Europe is looking to our country for help. And is getting it.

The climax of these perilous intrigues has been the proposal for a four-power alliance which Byrnes and Vandenberg flung into the Paris conference last week.

As Secretary Morgenthau warned, this is a scheme to junk the original Potsdam plan to erase Nazism in Germany.

## A CLOAK FOR NAZISM

The essence of the four-power scheme is we will "promise" to the Soviet Union that we will unite with her against Germany if Germany does not disarm.

With such a "promise," we insist that Germany be evacuated and left free of Allied troops. Offered as a plan to curb Germany in the future, it is really a cloak for hiding our present failure to de-Nazify Germany at present. It would permit her "another chance" under our sponsorship.

As though on a pre-arranged schedule, the propaganda is now pouring forth that "we did our best to win the friendship" of the Soviet Union; but it would not "play ball."

Writing in the New York Times (May 6), State Department spokesman James Reston piously dishes up this fable that the four-power plan was our earnest bid for peace, but, alas! it is not being accepted.

Overlooking the fact that every move we have made since V-E Day has been to isolate and threaten our Soviet ally, Reston warns that our policy makers are now prepared to move ahead on the thesis that "the world has been divided into two spheres, and it is no longer in the interest of the United States to use its political and economic power to aid Moscow. . . ."

Having ourselves divided up the world into an Anglo-Saxon bloc against everyone else, we now use our own created division to justify our previously prepared plans for disunity and aggression. This explains our seizure of military bases everywhere, our use of loans as a political club over Europe.

That is why our V-E Day commemoration is filled with anxiety; why peace does not shine brightly as the peoples of the world had hoped and fought for.

It was the unity of America, Britain and the Soviet Union which defeated the Axis. It is that unity, as pledged by FDR and Stalin, which can preserve the peace.

The sacrifices of our boys who lie in foreign graves and the welfare of our country cries out for a return to the unity which won the war. Our present course makes a mockery of the dreams of V-E Day.

## Ala Tries to Keep Iran on UN Agenda

By United Press

The United Nations Security Council meets at 3 p.m. today with only Iran on its agenda. Soviet delegate Andrei A. Gromyko had stated on April 23 that he would take no part in any further council discussion of the Iranian case.

Iran, shortly before midnight Monday, informed the council that the Soviet Union had probably kept her pledge to withdraw all her troops from Iran before May 7. But Iranian Ambassador Hussein Ala claimed Soviet "interferences" in Azerbaijan prevented his government from confirming directly the complete evacuation of that province.

**TEHERAN, Iran, May 6 (Delayed) (UP).**—Undersecretary of State Prince Mozaffar Firouz announced tonight that "reports indicate" the Soviet evacuation of Iran has been completed.

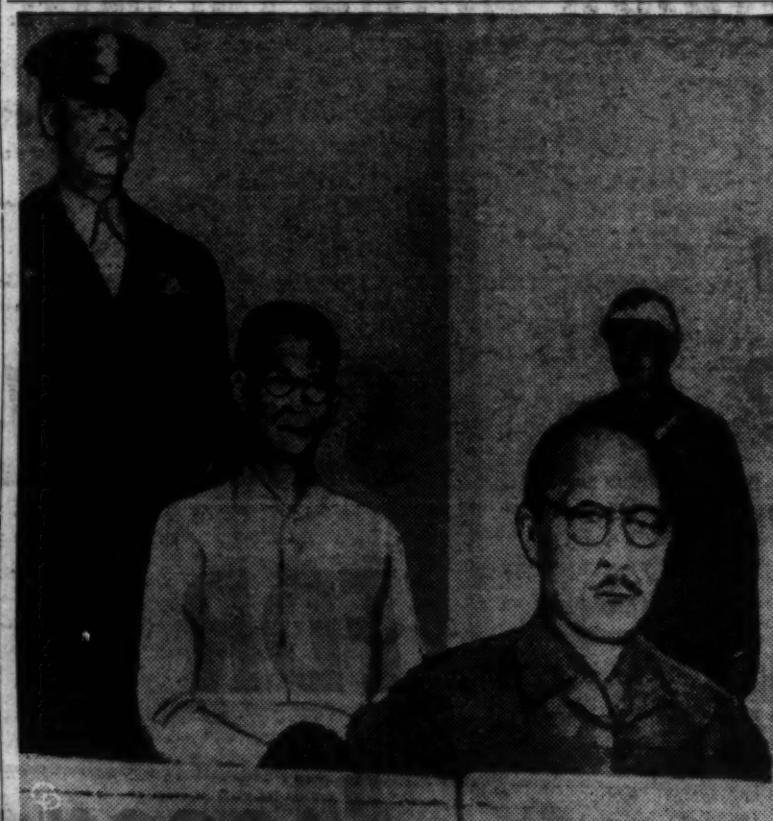
"Our special investigators, whom we had sent to Azerbaijan, returned today and reported a farewell parade by Soviet troops yesterday," he said. "The troops then left for Julfa and the frontier with all their equipment, tanks and arms."

Radio Tabriz, the voice of Azerbaijan's autonomous government, accused Premier Ahmad Ghavam's government of "delaying" the return of Jaafar Pishevari and his six-man Azerbaijan delegation negotiating a peace settlement with Iran.

"Thousands of Azerbaijanians assembled before the national parliament, impatient and furious over the delay of the return of representatives from Teheran and the non-conclusion of the conference, and stated that those responsible for the delay would be punished."

the broadcast said.

Pishevari arrived in Teheran more than a week ago to negotiate with the central government. He was scheduled to return to his capital, Tabriz, in time for ceremonies marking final withdrawal of Soviet forces today.



**War Criminal Arraigned:** Former Japanese premier Hideki Tojo (right) sits in the prisoners' box as he is arraigned before the International Military Tribunal for the Far East in Tokyo. The day's proceedings were enlivened when Shumei Okawa, behind Tojo, to the left, leaned forward and slapped the general on his bald head. Twenty-eight Japanese are charged with major war crimes. The war crimes trial is scheduled to start on June 3.

## Romania Gets Transylvania Back, Big 4 Foreign Ministers Agree

**PARIS, May 7 (UP).**—The Big Four foreign ministers agreed today to restore Transylvania to Romania at Hungary's expense but quickly ran into new disagreements on Danube River control.

The envoys of the United States, Great Britain, the Soviet Union and France agreed at a two-hour morning meeting to give back to Romania the 17,370 square miles of Transylvania which Germany and Italy turned over to Hungary by the "Vienna award" of Aug. 30, 1940. Romania and Hungary are to

negotiate minor border rectifications but the frontier generally reverts to the prewar status as of Jan. 1, 1938.

Immediately afterward Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin were plunged into sharp and frequently angry dispute with Soviet Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov on three important questions:

1—The status of the enormously important Danube waterway. America and Britain want restoration of international control. Russia wants control by countries along the river.

2—Byrnes' insistence on allied supervision of the extradition and trial of war criminals. Molotov thought the question should be left to the countries concerned.

3—A proposal by Byrnes to prevent former Axis satellites from making trade pacts to exclude allied interests from equal trade rights. Molotov said that the foreign ministers' deputies already had recommended diplomatic negotiations. On the motion of Bevin the ministers agreed that their deputies should study the whole question of economic clauses.

The foreign ministers also reached a minor agreement on a tentative frontier for Bulgaria.

## Both Sides Adamant On Trieste Issue

Wireless to the Daily Worker

By DEREK KARTUN

**PARIS, May 7.**—At an informal meeting yesterday in M. Bidault's office the Big Four Foreign Ministers continued the difficult discussion on the Italian treaty. After three hours of forthright and hard-hitting talk, they had failed to reach any decision on the thorny problem of Trieste.

Bevin and Byrnes, supported by Bidault, had insisted a new frontier line should be based on ethnic considerations only, in accordance with the recent London decisions. They

maintain that the Russian proposals didn't conform to these decisions, but Molotov pointed out that the Russian line, which gives the whole Julian March to Yugoslavia, took full account of the ethnic factors of the March as a whole.

Molotov further proposed that Italy could be compensated for the loss of Trieste and the Dodecanese Islands by having her reparations payments to Yugoslavia and Greece reduced.

## BEVIN OBJECTS

But Mr. Bevin objected and, taking a high moral attitude, protested that the fate of peoples could not be made into stakes in a bargain.

What Bevin deliberately overlooked, of course, is that the Russian and Yugoslav proposals for Trieste are by far the most satisfactory for the peoples inhabiting Julian March and do not, as the British proposals do, condemn them to perpetual economic difficulties.

I understand that there appeared to be no signs on either side of a tendency to give way.

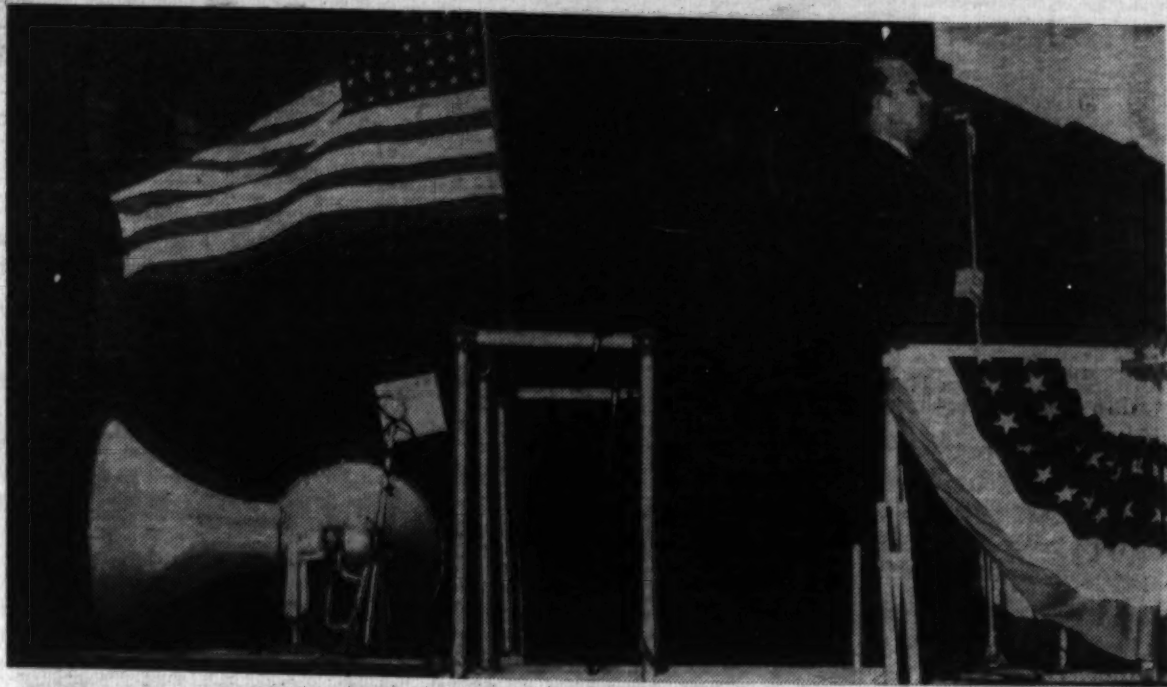
## Navajos Ask U.S. Enforce Treaty

**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz., May 7 (UP).**—The Navajo, largest Indian tribe, today picked a 23-man "diplomatic delegation" to go to Washington and see what could be done about schools, roads and citizenship rights for the tribe.

Chief Chee Dodge, chairman of the Tribal Council, heads the delegation, scheduled to go to the capital Friday. One delegate is a war veteran chosen by the Indians' American Legion Post. Two interpreters will go with the group.

Dodge said the United States never has lived up to an 1868 treaty guaranteeing a school house for every 30 school-age Navajo children. As a result, he said, 5,000 youngsters are now being deprived of education.





**Rallies Bronx for OPA:** Councilman Michael J. Quill tours the Bronx with the American Labor Party sound-truck urging citizens to act for continued price controls, housing for veterans, and against the proposed sales tax increase. Quill will speak on these issues at rallies during the entire month of May.

## Full CIO Turnout at Save-OPA Rally Sunday in Lewisohn Stadium Urged

The people's answer to the "malicious campaign of the NAM and its Congressional stooges to kill price control," will be given this Sunday, May 12, at the citywide Save-OPA rally at Lewisohn Stadium. This statement was made yesterday by Saul Mills, secretary of the City CIO, in a call for a full turnout by CIO members.

"The American people are not falling for the NAM's use of 'Mein Kampf' tactics to keep repeating a big lie over and over again," Mills said. "We in New York will prove it by our response to the rally."

Mills stressed the need for continued pressure on the Senate Banking Committee, now hearing testimony on price legislation. CIO unions have distributed 400,000 leaflets urging defeat of the amendments tacked on to the OPA measure by the House of Representatives.

The Bronx American Labor Party announced yesterday it would continue its Save-OPA rallies on Saturday afternoons for the rest of the month.

### ASK EVICTION STAY

Councilman Michael J. Quill was joined by labor and civic leaders last Saturday, who also spoke at seven key spots in the borough on the increased sales tax proposal and need for veterans' housing. They were

Mrs. Catherine McArdle of the Cross-Bronx Citizens Protective Association; Rev. J. R. Chandler of the Olmstead Presbyterian Church, and Mrs. A. A. Daly Weingarten. All appealed for a stay of eviction of the 3,500 persons, many of them veterans, from their homes in the path of the proposed Cross-Bronx Highway.

Other speakers were Robert Emmett Bowen, ex-Marine of the Catholic War Workers; Patrick J. Reilly, John Donovan of the Transport Workers Union and Charles Tremonti, ALP Italian-American leader.

Thousands of circulars were distributed announcing the Lewisohn Stadium Rally, sponsored by the Citywide Citizens Committee to Save OPA. The leaflets also called for a large attendance at the public hearings by the City Council Finance Committee, Friday, May 10, on the increased sales tax.

A baby carriage parade for OPA

will be held today at 2:30 on Flatbush Ave. and Albermarle Rd., under the auspices of the 21st Assembly District of the American Labor Party in Brooklyn.

The Morrisania Committee to Save OPA announced an open air rally this Saturday at East 167 St. and Sheridan Ave., at 3 p.m.

The Bronx Price Control Board is being bombarded by restaurant and tavern owners for increases in food prices.

Joseph P. Kelly, board chairman, reported yesterday that requests have increased 100 percent since the House crippled the price control bill.

"This is just a forerunner of what can happen when they don't have to ask the OPA to raise prices," he said.

Owners of beaneries and big restaurants are petitioning for increases to raise a hot meal, now costing 75 cents, to \$1, and a 10 cent sandwich to 15 cents.

## Coal Deadlock Continues; Gov't Plan Reported

Special to the Daily Worker

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Efforts to end the 37-day strike of 400,000 bituminous coal miners remained deadlocked today after adjournment of a meeting of the United Mine Workers' 250-man policy committee.

Earlier it was announced the Government had submitted a settlement formula, but John L. Lewis denied receipt of such a plan.

The policy committee reaffirmed the strikers' demands and called the advertised counter-offers of the coal operators "tin-horn benevolence."

Edward J. McGrady, U. S. mediator, raised hopes of a settlement when he told a New York meeting that the outlook was bright for a speedy end of the walkout.

No details of the government's plan were divulged.

Announcement of a government plan first came from Paul W. Fuller, the second mediator.

Developments today included: Continued clamor of reactionaries in both houses of Congress for legislation ostensibly aimed at Lewis.

The House Judiciary Committee put the finishing touches to a bill by A. Willis Robertson, Virginia Democrat, which would outlaw the UMWA's demand for a health and welfare fund through a "royalty" on each ton of coal produced. A second bill, by Rep. Howard Smith of Virginia, would apply the principles of the "anti-Petrillo law" to all interstate commerce.

Senator Scott Lucas is drafting a bill making it unlawful to shut a public utility through strike action where the national health is endangered.

Republicans in the Senate charged Truman with responsibility for the situation because of slowness to act or seize the mines.

Spokesmen of industry and government pictured an increasingly cause of shutdowns due to lack of coal.

The Virginia Electric & Power Co. announced rationing of power in 63 counties, effective Thursday. Detroit's City Council met to consider a "brownout" such as is already in effect in other major cities.

Soft coal on New England docks was ordered frozen by the government for essential needs.

The solid Fuels Administration banned delivery of coal to householders who have a supply of five or more days. Similar restrictions were imposed on public utilities and railroads.

Steel production was down to 80 per cent of capacity, with some 30,000 steel workers idled in the Pittsburgh area.

Great Lakes shipping was restricted to vessels moving grain or coal.

Several hundred thousand are believed to be unemployed nationally as a result of the strike.

## One Killed In Harlan Mine Fight

BENHAM, Ky., May 7 (UP).—

In Harlan County, one man was killed and six were wounded, one critically, when United Mine Workers pickets attempted to surround the captive mine of the International Harvester Co., which operates the only pit in the county under contract with the Progressive Mine Workers of America (Ind.), which is not on strike.

[The PMA is the former AFL affiliate that left the AFL ranks when Lewis returned.]

The mine had been operated throughout the month-long walkout of the UMW, although pickets have attempted to close it.

Joseph O'Hara, Pittsburgh, international representative of UMW, told United Press he led 30 cars and 200 men to the pit. His men were "ambushed," he said, and machine gun fire spattered their vehicles.

J. H. Mitchell, president of PMW Local 402, denied any of his men "ambushed" the UMW men, and said they would work "as long as the company operates the mine."

Sheriff J. S. Cawood identified the dead man as Lawrence Brock, Creech, Ky. The injured were Robert Hodge, former secretary-treasurer of District 19, UMW; Joe Shepherd, Harlan; Ray Miller, Benham; John A. Saylor, Wallins; James Stevens, Molas, and R. G. Underwood, Black Star.

The Sheriff said he had not been able to determine who fired the shot that started the battle and that no arrests had been made.

## Britain Seeks Egypt War Pact

LONDON, May 7 (UP).—Britain's Labor Government proposed today to withdraw British troops from Egypt, subject to a military alliance, and won a vote of confidence of 327 to 158.

Conservatives, led by Winston Churchill, had forced an emergency debate in the House of Commons.

## Red Scare and Socialist Weakness Noted in French Poll

By DEREK KARTON

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PARIS, May 7.—By a slender majority of a little over one million votes out of a total of 20 million cast, the French people decided Sunday to reject the Constitution elaborated by their Constituent Assembly. Forty-seven percent of the electorate, following the advice of Socialist and Communist

parties, voted yes. Fifty-three percent voted no. In the opposition camp there were Radicals, Mouvement Republicain Populaire Catholics and rightwing elements but from the tone of the campaign it was clear that the extreme right has taken over the leadership.

Their voluminous propaganda was nearly all directed against the Communists who were accused of having proposed a constitution which would enable them to seize dictatorial power.

The red bogey raised by the Catholic Church which instructed the faithful to vote against the text had effect.

The June 2 elections will now be for another Constituent Assembly within whose life of seven months a new constitution will have to be elaborated and presented to the people.

### THE LESSON

The great lesson to be learned from this setback is that with a united campaign such as the Communists had called for there were good chances of getting the text

adopted. A shift of 800,000 votes would have sufficed.

As it was the Socialists insisted on pursuing an independent campaign and they pursued it without vigor and in certain areas without enthusiasm.

The results of the referendum do not necessarily mean that the leftwing parties will suffer a setback at the June elections although the Socialists will have to look up if they do not want to see a good part of their votes go to the old Radical Party.

### SERIOUS EFFECTS

The whole referendum was conducted by the people with great calm and already the country is talking about the June elections. It is expected that the campaign will begin immediately.

It must be stressed in conclusion that a further period of provisional government which now results from the people's rejection of the constitution is bound to have serious effects on the economic recovery in France.

It is obvious that Foreign Minister George Bidault at the Big Four Conference would have been able to

speak with incomparably greater authority if France Sunday had adopted permanent institutions and thus had given herself a fully responsible government.

## Senate Group Divided, 8-9 on OPA

By ROB F. HALL

WASHINGTON, May 7.—On the basis of an unofficial survey, it appeared today that the OPA bill would be reported favorably by the Senate Banking Committee late this week by the narrow vote of nine to eight.

This assumed that all Democratic members of the Committee except John Bankhead (D-Ala) and Ernest W. McFarland (D-Ark) will vote for the bill. It also assumed a tie vote in which the ballot of Chairman Robert F. Wagner (D-NY) will be decisive.

Friends of OPA consider this margin far too close for comfort. They fear that last minute pressure may swing some of the lukewarm Democrats into the opposition column.

### URGENT CASES

Under these circumstances, labor circles here are urging their organi-

zations to send telegrams and make telephone calls especially to the following Senators:

Doubtful: George Radcliffe (D-Md), E. P. Carville (D-Nev).

Unfavorable: Bankhead, McFarland, Robert A. Taft (R-O), Hugh Butler (R-Neb), C. D. Buck (R-Del), Eugene D. Millikin (R-Col), B. B. Hickenlopper (R-Iowa), Homer Capehart (R-Ind).

Appearing before the Committee today, Secretary of the Treasury Vinson urged extension of OPA without amendments.

Vinson described the actions of a firm attempting to get OPA au-

thority for a price boost. Before the war, the article manufactured by this firm cost \$16 to produce. It sold for \$64 during the war. Its cost of production increased by four dollars. It sought to raise the price to \$90, Vinson said.

"Now, Mr. Secretary," said Sen. Millikin, "let's take a more typical case."

### Churchill Indicted

Tomorrow's feature page will carry an extensive report on Fred Eldridge's new book "Wrath in Burma" which contains a startling indictment of Winston Churchill.



# Moses Creates DP's, Says Hargrove

## LEGION GROUP ASSAILS EVICTION HIGHWAYS

Marion Hargrove, soldier-author and commander of the Duncan-Paris Post No. 1422, American Legion, yesterday charged City Construction Coordinator Robert Moses with "creating a displaced persons problem within the city of New York."

Hargrove, speaking on behalf of the New York Legion Committee on "Operation Housing," with representatives from the five American Legion county organizations in Greater New York, assailed the proposed construction of the Cross-Bronx and Brooklyn-Queens Express highways as "aggravating the already intolerable housing shortage" facing veterans.

"Yesterday the first 500 prospective evictees in the Brooklyn Heights section received a cheery mimeographed letter signed by the Borough President," declared Hargrove.

"The letter stated that these families would be required to vacate their homes not later than Nov 1, to make way for the planned Brooklyn-Queens Connecting Highway."

"Before long, unless this construction is stopped, an estimated 1200 families in the Brooklyn Heights section alone will have received eviction notices. No estimate has been made of the total number of persons to be dispossessed in Brooklyn and Queens by this particular project."

"To this undoubtedly impressive figure must be added the 540 Bronx families, to be evicted by June 1, to make way for the new Cross-Bronx Express Highway."

"We demand that the prospective evictees be left in peace—at least until permanent, suitable housing accommodations have been found for New York City's 200,000 homeless veterans now living in furnished rooms or jammed in with in-laws."

"We have it upon reliable authority that the reason the Sharkey Bill, now up for consideration by the City Council, does not call for veterans' priority in the occupancy of the remodeled tenements involved is that proponents of the bill feel they must provide equally for Moses' displaced persons."

"I intend to introduce a resolution on the floor of the 69th Regiment Armory on the afternoon of May 18, the date set for the American Legion's Operation Housing rally, censoring Mr. Moses and demanding the immediate abandonment by the city of whatever plans are afoot for the construction of highways, tunnels and similar facilities which involve eviction of tenants from desperately needed houses."

The 'Operation Housing' rally is expected to attract 15,000 homeless ex-servicemen to the 69th Regiment Armory, 25th St. and Lexington Ave., at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 18. Gene Kelly will be chairman of the meeting, which will be attended

by all 24 members of Congress from the New York city districts, as well as prominent figures from the entertainment world.

## Inter-American Bill Flouts UN, Council Charges

The Council for Pan American Democracy yesterday condemned President Truman's proposed Inter-American Military Cooperation Act as violating the United Nations Charter and threatening the sovereignty of Latin America.

A Council statement, signed by executive secretary Marion Bachrach, warned that the act would put Latin American countries completely at the mercy of American military domination and would give the United States "unrestricted control of all strategic military points in the Hemisphere."

Text of the statement follows: "The Inter-American Military Cooperation Act, submitted to Congress by President Truman, is a declaration of war against the United Nations and the sovereignty of the other American Republics."

"The proposal for transforming the Western Hemisphere into an armed bloc in which the national armies of the Latin American states are to be equipped, trained and virtually commanded by the United States, represents the most flagrant unilateral action in violation of the letter and spirit of the United Nations Charter."

### CHALLENGES UN AUTHORITY

"It challenges the authority of the Security Council in the American sphere of influence. It endangers the peace and security of our country and of the Western Hemisphere by arousing fear and suspicion in our British and Soviet allies, setting the pace in an armaments race which does not stop at national frontiers but extends to whole continents within the orbit of one or another of the great powers."

"Adoption of this shocking proposal by Congress would put every Latin American state completely at the mercy of United States military domination, making a mockery of the principal of sovereign equality which was the core of the Roosevelt Good Neighbor Policy."

### KEEPS BASES

"The provision in the bill for the 'maintenance, repair and rehabilitation of military and naval equipment' in the hands of Canada or the 20 American Republics circumvents the formal return of military, naval and air bases granted for use during World War II. It opens the way for their de facto retention by the United States in peace time."

"The defense of our country and hemisphere lies with the restoration of Big Three unity and world peace. Against what threat is this pretended 'defense' measure to be taken? In the context of the existing world situation, the American people must see what will be all too obvious to others—that the proposed Inter-American Military Cooperation Act is, in fact, a threat of American aggression, a step toward plunging the United States into reckless military adventure and a suicidal war."

"The Council for Pan American Democracy urges all peace-loving citizens and their organizations to act promptly against this latest betrayal of our country's security and peace."

## Truman Moves for U. S. Army Domination of Hemisphere

By JOSEPH CLARK

President Truman has proposed a bill to Congress "authorizing a program of military collaboration with other American states, including the training, organization and equipment of the armed forces of those countries." The bill to "standardize military or-

ganization, training methods and equipment" would establish one huge military establishment, extending from the northern tip of Canada to Cape Horn. Ten thousand miles of territory north to south and 21 countries of the western hemisphere are to be armed by and placed under the military control of the United States.

This unprecedented military measure has been advanced at the very moment when Vandenberg and Byrnes are getting "tough" with the Soviet Union, accusing it of "expansionism" for desiring friendly relations with nations that border on its territory.

That American imperialism would dominate the whole hemisphere set-up should be obvious for anyone to see. But to allow no doubts on that score Truman says: "A special responsibility for leadership rests upon the United States in this matter because of the preponderant technical, economic and military resources of this country."

What an outcry would have arisen had the Soviet Union proposed to take over the military establishments of all the nations that border her territory, let alone all the countries of the eastern hemisphere.

### TRUMP WITHDRAWALS

Even commercial press correspondents on the spot in Czechoslovakia, Poland, China, Iran and the other countries adjacent to the

Soviet Union have admitted Soviet troops have been withdrawn and those countries control their own military establishments.

This is so even though the territory of these border lands has been used in two world wars for intervention against the Soviet Union by Great Britain, the United States, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Finland and at least seven other countries.

In addition to the 20 countries of Latin America, Canada is to be part of Wall Street's unified military machine.

U.S., British and Canadian military personnel have just returned from the Musk-Ox expedition. This polar military maneuver tested equipment and vantage points directed against only one possible objective, the Soviet Union.

"America faces north," George Fielding Elliot wrote in the New York Herald Tribune April 12. He suggested a scheme of "cold-blooded strategy." It was a plan for mounting a military offensive north against one possible target—the Soviet Union.

### FACE ALL POINTS

Now President Truman seeks to implement that plan with his hemisphere military alliance. It must be added, however, that U. S. imperialism will face not only north, but all points of the compass.

The background against which Truman proposed to take over the arming and training of the nations of the western hemisphere must be kept in mind.

It includes: The Vandenberg-Byrnes "get tough with Russia" speeches. The Truman-sponsored Churchill speech in Fulton, Mo. The State Department inspired stories of mythical Soviet columns marching through Iran to the Turkish border.

The trumped up provocation against the Soviet Union over the Iranian issue.

The Council for Pan American Democracy warns that the Truman proposal establishes a de facto means for keeping all military bases given to the U. S. for conduct of the war. It would, adds the council, destroy the sovereignty of the Latin American peoples.

Thrown into the discard by the Truman plan is the alliance of the Big Three to work together within the United Nations for world peace.

The American people, who favor real big power unity for peace, must not be identified with the militarist, expansionist program of "our own" imperialism.

Labor and the common people will serve America's national interest by opposing a plan to subject 125,000,000 people in this hemisphere to our military domination.

## Order Airline 'Fact-Finding'

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—President Truman today ordered appointment of a fact-finding board to investigate a wage dispute between 13 leading airlines and the Air Line Pilots Association (ALP).

The action was expected to stall a strike called for midnight tonight and affecting 1,000 pilots of Transcontinental & Western Air, Inc. Mr. Truman acted under terms of the Railway Labor Act.

## WFTU Executive Board to Meet

Wireless to the Daily Worker

LONDON, May 7.—The first full meeting of the executive committee of the World Federation of Trade Unions will be held in Moscow during the third week in June, it was announced here.

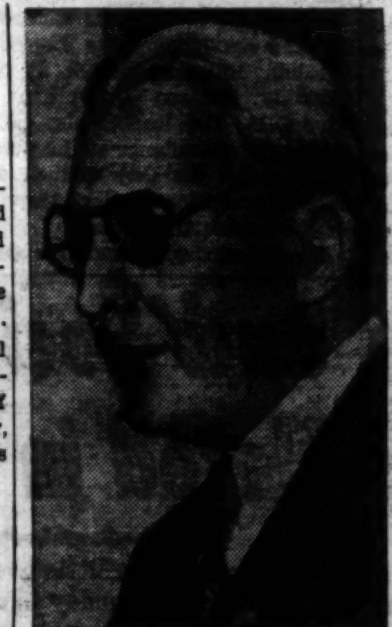
The executive bureau, which includes the president and six vice-presidents, will report on the WFTU's activities since its formation last Fall. Special reports will be made on negotiations with the international trade secretariats and on the organizations which have joined WFTU since its formation.

## Postpone Hearing On Health Bill

The International Workers Order was officially notified that it is scheduled to testify on the Wagner-Murray-Dingell National Health Bill before the Senate Committee on Education and Labor on the morning of June 8, instead of April 29, the date originally set.

Max Bedacht, General Secretary of the labor fraternal society, will present the Order's testimony in support of the Bill.

Petitions containing thousands of signatures will be represented by Bedacht.



ELECTED president of Colombia, according to latest returns, is Mariano Ospina Perez, 55, Conservative Party candidate.

## Meat Shortage Blamed on Big 4

KANSAS CITY, May 7.—The charge that the Big Four packers, who refuse to buy available cattle, are responsible for the present meat shortage, was made here during a special two-day meeting called by District 4, United Packinghouse Workers, CIO.

Similar charges have been made by other districts of the CIO packinghouse union.

Fifty delegates from Kansas, Mo., and East St. Louis plants, representing 5,000 unionists who were laid off last month, demanded a congressional probe of the meat shortage.

"It is high time," said Ralph Baker, district director, "that Congress does something about this high-handed action of the packers to create a phony shortage in order to discredit OPA."

## CIO Packers Rap Anti-OPA Ad by AFL Body

An ad placed in yesterday's newspapers by the AFL Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen asking the end of meat price ceilings does not represent the opinion of rank and file members, Meyer Stern, district director of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers, said yesterday.

This AFL union ad uses the employers' argument that OPA is "unworkable," and hides the fact that the employer packers are responsible for the black market.

"This position," said Stern, "is in contradiction to the position taken by the AFL and William Green, its president."

Patrick E. Gorman, general secretary of the AFL butchers, signed the telegram contained in the ad, which urges President Truman to end meat price ceilings.

"Gorman," said Stern, "does not speak for his membership on this issue. If he would permit democratic procedure to determine the sentiments of his members, he would learn they want strict enforcement and OPA extension. That is the way the AFL butchers with whom we are in contact feel." Stern's union has played a leading role in exposing the profiteers in the meat industry.

## Sender Garlin At Chelsea Forum

Sender Garlin, author of "Enemies of the Peace" and former Moscow correspondent for the Daily Worker, will speak on "Is America Heading For War?" at a forum of the Chelsea Section, Communist Party, Friday evening.

The forum, first of a series, will be held in the Chelsea clubhouse, 269 West 26th street, and will begin at 8:30 p. m.

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## Ask Dewey to Grant Vets Full Vacations

The New York District, United Public Workers of America, CIO, yesterday called upon Gov. Dewey to end discriminatory practices against veterans in vacation policy. The union pointed out that, because of technicalities in the law, veterans who have returned to state service during the last year would be granted less vacation time than non-veterans.

James V. King, New York district president, reminded Gov. Dewey that Mayor O'Dwyer's policy in New York City eliminates such discrimination and that this practice is followed by leading business firms throughout the state.

King pointed out that these vet-

erans would have received the four-week vacation this year if they had not been in the armed services and claimed that Section 246, Paragraph 5, of the Military Law insured that no public employe would lose any privilege as a result of service in the armed forces.

The union announced that it was calling up the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Veterans Committee, Jewish War Veterans and Catholic War Veterans to support its request.

## BROOKLYN ANTI-BIAS GROUP ASKS HEARING ON QUINN

State Commissioner of Education George D. Stoddard was urged by the Brooklyn Committee against Discrimination yesterday to hold a hearing on the May Quinn case.

The request was made by Capt. Joseph Sutton, chairman of the committee, which is made up of 30 organizations in Bensonhurst, the community in which the anti-Semitic teacher taught before her whitewash by the Board of Education.

Additional pressure for the removal of Miss Quinn from the school system came from the American Labor Party's 11th Assembly District Rogers Club. Max Torchin, club president, asked that Miss Quinn and George T. Timone, Board of Education member, be removed. Timone, a pro-Christian Front, was appointed Board member by Mayor O'Dwyer. Progressive and labor groups have asked his ouster.

## Rap Old-Line AFL Heads in Phila.

Special to the Daily Worker

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—AFL taxi drivers, affiliated with the Teamsters, succeeded in holding their first election here in many years, and threw out the old, reactionary leadership.

The plumbers, Local 690 of the AFL, are pounding the pavement in a strike for a 25 cent an hour wage increase. They charge top Building Trades officials are leading AFL workers across their picket line in an effort to break their strike and discredit their local leadership. A leaflet issued by their negotiating committee says:

"Remember our illustrious president (Joseph Burge, Building Trades Council president), settled for his union for 7½ cents an hour, and the Building Trades forced some of the other business agents, subservient to our illustrious president, to take nominally small increases, while throughout the country men employed regularly, 52 weeks a year, but represented by the CIO, have been getting 18½ an hour."

The plumbers report 55 independent bosses have agreed to their \$2 an hour wage demand, pending approval by the Wage Stabilization Board. They deny newspaper charges by employer groups that their strike is holding up veterans housing.

"Most of the construction is commercial, with a few homes in the \$9,000 and \$10,000 class," says the Union.

## CIGARET VENDING MACHINES BECOME ONE-ARM BANDITS

Smokers who get their cigarettes in vending machines are forced to pay an extra cent a pack, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

Chiseling manufacturers, who usually charge 18 cents a pack in the machines, leaped with joy when the OPA recently permitted a price rise of half a cent a pack, or one

cent for two packs. Most dealers didn't take it out on the customers—but not so the manufacturers.

They couldn't figure out how to return a cent and a half inside the cellophane—so now the customers are paying a whole cent extra, an illegal overcharge of half a cent. That's what happens when OPA relaxes.

## Say Coalition Can Lick Coudert Bid for Congress

By MAX GORDON

Manhattan American Labor Party leaders were quick to react to published reports yesterday that Republican leaders plan to ditch Rep. Joseph Clark Baldwin for State Sen. Frederic R. Coudert as their candidate for Congress in the 17th district. Robert

Stanley, leading ALP figure in the district, was confident a strong coalition candidate could easily defeat Coudert.

Stanley pointed to the fact that in 1944 Baldwin received 77,000 votes in the district, as compared to a combined Democratic-ALP vote behind separate candidates of 70,000.

"You must remember that Joe Baldwin received a lot of liberal votes because of his record and because the Democratic nominee was known as a machine man," Stanley maintained.

"Besides, there was no real opposition campaign," he added. "With Coudert as nominee, there will be such a campaign and it will win hands down."

### BALDWIN'S RECORD

Baldwin is one of the few Republicans in Congress who has backed progressive measures with a fair amount of consistency. He has been fighting for OPA; is a foe of oppressive and anti-labor legislation, including the Dies and Rankin Committees; is a leader in the fight for the FEPC and anti-polltax bills, and has a good record in support of Soviet-American unity.

Opposition against him in official Republican ranks was brought into the open following his vote against the Case anti-labor bill.

Coudert is one of the top reactionaries in the State Legislature. Among many other things, he led the fight in the State Senate last year to defeat the Ives-Quinn State FEPC law by amendment, though he voted for the measure after his amendment was defeated.

A leading representative of bankers and realty interests, he made a spectacular effort this year to cripple even further the woefully inadequate GOP bill to set up state rent control if Federal controls are lifted.

He is infamous for his activities as head of the Rapp-Coudert witch-hunt committee a few years ago.

Some ALP leaders projected the



BALDWIN



COUDERT

possibility of a broad non-partisan coalition of all liberal, labor and

honest conservative elements in the district behind Baldwin against Coudert, if the latter should win the GOP nomination.

Such a coalition would be somewhat similar to the one that defeated Hamilton Fish in the 29th District two years ago. Augustus Bennett, the Republican who defeated Fish, received both Democratic and ALP endorsement. He ran in the Republican primaries against the GOP machine and received more than 40 percent of the vote.

In the regular election he ran as Democratic and ALP nominee and had a special line on the machine for anti-Fish Republicans. A similar set-up here would probably result in overwhelming victory for Baldwin.

The fact that Coudert was being considered as a probable opponent to Baldwin has been known for some time. Publication of this fact now seems to imply that a drive for him has been officially agreed upon.

### ACT AGAINST BUCK

In the 16th Congressional District, which takes in southern Manhattan and Staten Island, a Citizens Committee to defeat Rep. Ellsworth Buck went into action with a wire to Jeremiah A. Sullivan, Staten Island Democratic leader, urging a progressive coalition candidate against Buck.

Buck, a Republican, has one of the worst records in Congress.

The committee was organized Monday night at a conference of 40 representatives of 30 labor and civic groups.

It organized a steering committee and set forth a minimum program, including Big Three unity, continuation of OPA, a large-scale housing program, minimum wage increase, the Murray-Wagner-Dingell health insurance bill and FEPC.

## Dewey Denied City Aid to Hurt O'Dwyer Regime, Fitzpatrick Charges

Gov. Dewey refused to grant more state aid to the cities of the state to embarrass the O'Dwyer administration, Paul Fitzpatrick, state Democratic chairman, charged yesterday in a state-wide radio address from Buffalo.

Fitzpatrick's speech was an answer to Dewey's radio "report to the people" on April 24.

The Democratic chairman attacked the state government on these issues:

- State-city financial relations.
- Emergency housing.
- Failure to set up a State University.
- Bogging down of the State Division of Veterans Affairs.
- Failure to investigate the spread in milk prices.
- Refusal to adopt a health insurance program.

Emphasis was placed on the lack of sufficient state financial aid to municipalities despite the huge half billion dollar budget surplus.

Fitzpatrick said the idea of the surplus was originated by Gov. Lehman and taken over by Gov. Dewey. Chief aim of the surplus, he stated, was to rehabilitate public institutions that deteriorated during the war.

He attacked, however, the Governor's program for using the surplus solely for rehabilitation of state institutions.

### CITIES' NEED CITED

He noted that the municipalities

could not accumulate a surplus nor was it intended that they should. The original Lehman idea of the post-war fund, he insisted, included also payment for improvements of city institutions, including schools, hospitals, parks, etc.

Fitzpatrick also claimed that the so-called Moore Plan, by which the state distributed financial aid to the cities, is a "straitjacket" limiting local services and salaries.

While the Governor's program was intended to force the Democratic New York City administration to levy special "nuisance taxes," he said, it has also hit the Republican administrations of up-state cities, including Buffalo,

Rochester and Syracuse.

Fitzpatrick also criticized the Dewey 50 percent income tax reduction, but merely because of the way it was being administered. He insisted the Governor should have reduced taxes in the regular manner instead of calling for a 50 percent remission of the income tax for a single year.

Democrats in the Legislature at first voted for the tax reduction, but then reversed themselves by supporting ALP Assemblyman Leo Isacson's motion to rescind it and use the money for the cities.

Isacson was the sole assemblyman to fight the tax reduction when it was voted.

On housing, Fitzpatrick insisted the 6,185 apartments in 30 state projects in 24 communities is "insignificant" in view of the need.

### ATTENTION.

#### NEW YORK YOUTH CLUBS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY!

By May 1st we had attained the following new members!

Kings .....	243	Bronx .....	134
Queens .....	51	Student .....	96
Manhattan .....	120	TOTAL .....	644

Our goal is 1000 by June 1st. TWO recruits per Youth Club per WEEK for the next four weeks will carry us over the top. Let's go!!!

STATE YOUTH COMMISSION  
COMMUNIST PARTY OF NEW YORK



# 7,682 Communists Recruited in 6 Weeks

## TEMPO RISING FOR MAY, WILLIAMSON REPORTS

"A total of 7,682 new members recruited to the Communist Party at the end of the sixth week of the Party Building Campaign" is the report of John Williamson, secretariat member in charge of organization.

Asked what were the perspectives up to June 1, Williamson replied. "In the remaining five weeks there is good reason to believe that the tempo of the campaign will be substantially increased. We are not interested merely in figures but in recruiting those advanced workers in the shops and communities that have learned about the Communist Party and its program through its participation or leadership in activities and struggles, such as in defense of price control and OPA, or in connection with defense of the Negro victims of the terror in Columbia, Tenn., or Freeport, L. I., or in the many strike struggles where the Communists gave their full support."

Williamson continued, pointing out that this confidence is based on the fact that during May greater attention is being given to activating many community clubs that have not really been in the campaign so far. He also stressed that "the spade work put into organiz-

### The Score:

	Recruits	Pct.
Alabama	213	144
Texas	207	85
Colorado	69	55
Oklahoma	53	53
Louisiana	78	52
Northwest	319	42
New England	165	41
Missouri	103	41
Ohio	374	37
California	712	35
Illinois	701	35
Iowa-Nevada	80	32
Indiana	67	29
Florida	43	28
Michigan	163	27
New Jersey	262	33
Eastern Pa.	379	26
New York	2514	25
Virginia	37	24
Western Pa.	108	23
Nebraska	11	22
Wisconsin	81	17
Maryland	70	15
West Virginia	12	14
Minnesota	50	10
Montana	3	—
Utah	3	—

ing new branches during the last six weeks will only blossom forth in the month of May, when we expect a substantial number of new shop and industrial branches as well as new community clubs in unorganized territory adjacent to

## Recruiting Tough? Not at All, She Says

Shopmates Read Daily, Sign Up, Then Sign Up Their Friends

By DOROTHY LOEB

Is recruiting for the Communist Party tough?

Not to Ronnie Thaler, 29 of 11 W. 8 St., Manhattan. A slipper worker in a Varick St. shop employing 450, she has seven signed up, all of them Negroes, and she acts surprised when you ask her how she did it.

"I'm known as a Communist in the shop," she said. "Some of the people knew something about the party. I told them some more."

"Ten of them bought subscriptions to the Daily Worker. It's in the shop regularly every day."

"Everybody I recruited was a reader."

"They wanted to join because they saw we were fighting for Negro rights in Freeport, Columbia, Tenn., and elsewhere. But they wanted to join, too, because they want socialism and they found out we're working to bring it about."

Those handling reservations for the ace recruiters' dinner this Friday night at Tom Mooney Hall, 13 Astor Pl., better keep their eye on

Ronnie Thaler. She's eligible to come, of course, because all who recruit three or more have been invited to be guests of the Communist Party's state committee that night. But she may crowd the place.

"My new recruits are promising to recruit too," she says.

Incidentally Ronnie Thaler's branch in the shoe and slipper industry has recruited a total of 32 to date and it looks as if at least one shop club, maybe more, can be set up soon as a result of the drive.

existing clubs."

Questioned as to the status of various districts, he referred to the accompanying chart. However, he did comment on the fact that Illinois for the first time found itself up in the California and Ohio class, and was confident this was the beginning of some intensified recruiting activities in the "Windy City." Williamson was enthusiastic about the Brooklyn membership meeting of over 1,000 he addressed this last week. He stressed that although Brooklyn was not yet functioning as a pace setter, nevertheless 40 percent of 842 recruits were

industrial workers and that from the five highly industrialized areas of Greenpoint, Ridgewood, Red Hook, Bay Ridge and Sheepshead Bay that had been singled out when the campaign was launched that 140 new members have been recruited. He emphatically declared, "the enthusiastic response of the 1,000 active members present created the possibilities for Brooklyn to be first in party building in the same way that Brooklyn was first in electing a Communist Party Councilman and was first in breaking down the Jimcrow rule in organized baseball."

In conclusion, Williamson singled out six districts upon whom the National Board places first responsibility to intensify the campaign by more effective organization and involvement of the membership and clubs in mass activities and recruiting. These are Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, California, Philadelphia and New York. He urged that plans and objectives be adopted on a week-to-week basis and reported that all members of the National Board and staff are visiting districts to assist the local members in recruiting activities.

## California C.P. Recruits 1,000

Special to the Daily Worker

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—California Communists have gone over the top in their May Day goal of 1,000 new Communists, the State Committee of the California Communist Party announced today.

More than 50 percent of the new Communists are from industry; 35 percent are Negroes and 10 percent veterans.

## Mussert Executed; Was Dutch Quisling

AMSTERDAM, May 7 (UP).—Anton Mussert, leader of the Dutch Nazis, was executed early today, the Dutch Radio announced today.

### ARE YOU GOING?

## BRIGADE DINNER

in honor of all who have recruited

Three Members During Party Recruiting Drive

FRIDAY, MAY 10, 8 P.M.

### CLUB 65

13 Astor Place

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### ATTENTION

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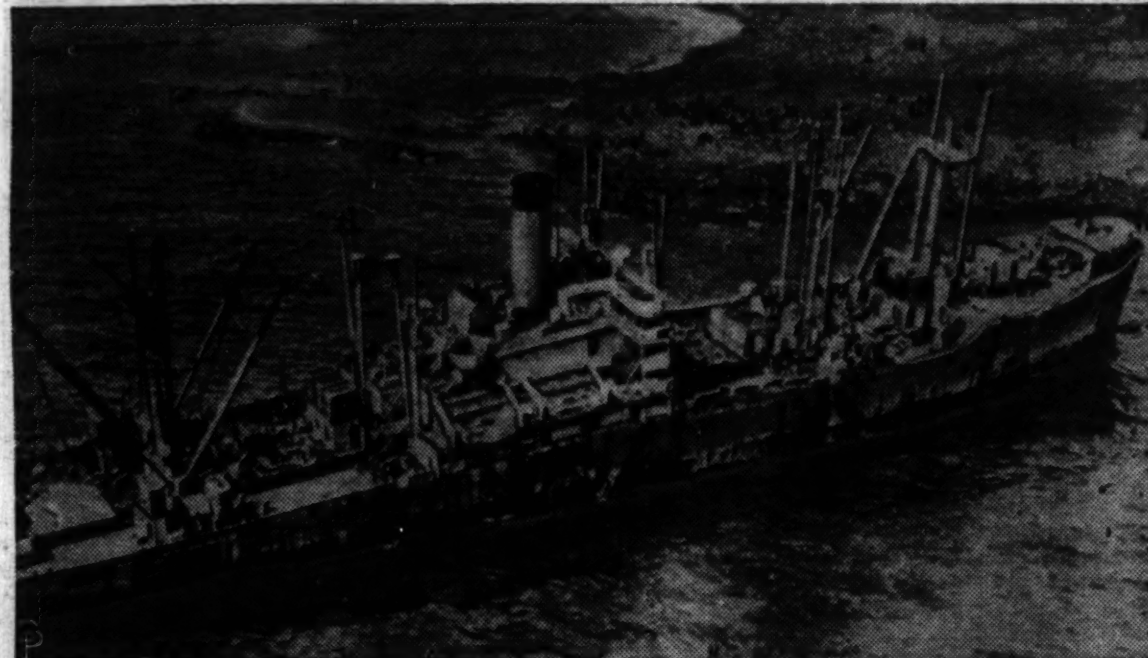
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Discussion on Party Building Drive



**The Hard Way Home:** As the troopship Georgetown Victory lies hopelessly aground on the rocks at Killard Point, just off the Irish coast, near Belfast, some of the 1,500 rescued sailors and soldiers can be seen safe on shore. They were British vets, returning from Australia, when their ship cracked up on a reef during a fog.

## PEOPLE'S COALITION TAKING SHAPE IN NORTH DAKOTA

By CLARENCE SHARP

MINOT, N. D., May 5.—The significant feature of the preparations for the primary elections in North Dakota is the beginnings of unity of organized labor, the farm organizations, the veteran, progressive forces in the Democratic party and the Non-Partisan League for independent political action.

Delegates from these groups endorsed a representative slate, and adopted a progressive program.

Quentin Burdick, Fargo attorney, son of the former Cong. Usher L. Burdick was endorsed as candidate for Governor. He is also State Secretary of the Democratic party. As attorney for the state Farmers Union and the labor unions he will have strong support from these groups. Abner Larson, head of the production Credit bank at Mandan, was endorsed as the candidate for the long term U. S. Senate. Larson has been identified for years with the Farmers Union and the Democratic party.

Edwin Cooper of Buxton, former state chairman of the Non-Partisan league, prominent Red River valley farmer and Farmers Union member, was endorsed as one of the candidates for Congress. J. Handel a veteran was endorsed for the other

Congressional seat. P. W. Lanier Jr., son of the U. S. attorney was endorsed for the short term U. S. Senator.

Much work will have to be done but, this ticket is the beginning of real people's coalition.

The Republican party is split in two: the Republican organization Committee representing the conservative business groups, traditionally anti-Langer and the Non-partisan league largely the personal political machine of Wm. Langer, senior U. S. Senator.

The hottest primary fight will undoubtedly be between Langer and J. B. Bridston of Grand Forks.

Elmer Cart, Farmers' Union em-

ployee, is the League candidate for the Governorship. Gerald P. Nye, former isolationist U. S. Senator has filed in the independent column for the short term U. S. Senate. Anti-Nye sentiment likely will center around the support of Milton Young, present Junior Senator, as the candidate most likely to defeat Nye.

Under North Dakota's constitution each political party endorses a candidate for this short term vacancy. Three hundred signatures are required to file in the independent column of the special ballot for the short term. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes in the coming primary election on June 26th is elected to the Senate to fill this short term.

## Win Arizona CP Place on Ballot

Special to the Daily Worker

PHOENIX, Arizona, May 7.—The Communist Party of this state has re-won its place on the ballot by filing far more than the required number of signatures.

Secretary of State Dan Garvey on April 16, received 2,520 signatures from six of Arizona's 14 counties. The law only requires signatures from five counties, but the CP collected 1,751 in Maricopa County alone.

For the first time in the history of the CP in this state, it also filed for a county ballot when it filed in the capital county of Maricopa. The party expects to run candidates for the state legislature. The post of a legislator in an Arizona state office is at the same time a county office.

State Attorney John L. Sullivan tried to hurt the petition campaign by redbaiting, and was prominently quoted by local papers. A reply from the Communist Party was completely ignored by the press.

During the war, Sullivan earned a notorious reputation among labor unions and progressives as an advocate of the "Right to Work" amendment, sponsored by the pro-fascist Texas organization known as Christian American, Inc. The amendment would have outlawed the right to strike and picket.

## Soviet Union Creates Two New Ministries

LONDON, May 7 (UP).—Moscow Radio reported this morning that the Soviet Union has created two new ministries for food and material reserves.

D. I. Fomin was named to the Food Ministry and will have charge of all state food reserves, the broadcast said. Danchenko was appointed Minister of Material Reserves.

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# Coal Barons Peddle the Old Lies

By GEORGE MORRIS

The coal operators are making the most of the anti-Lewis hysteria that is now being whipped up.

They see in it a good chance to settle scores with the men who do the coal digging at \$1 an hour.

The National Coal Association's sinister designs were revealed in its newspaper ad yesterday. The association apparently thinks the screen of anti-Lewisism will help it palm off some of its deceitful propaganda to the public.

The ad was timed as part of a symphony that blared its high note Monday. Reactionaries in both Houses raised a howl for a "Petrillo bill" against Lewis. They even screamed for criminal prosecution of the union's leaders.

Some administration spokesmen harped further on the "disaster" warning. Spokesmen of the National Association of Manufacturers, Chamber of Commerce and Southern industrialists, were already giving their testimony for the "anti-Lewis" bill. Cartoonists went all out on the theme of Lewis as the great national menace.

## LEWIS LOVES IT

The last man in the world to object to this is John L. Lewis. He thrives on being pictured as the great menace. He knows that it strengthens him among the coal miners.

The reactionaries, among whom Lewis himself is a prominent figure, know well that they are not harming the man who lives comfortably at \$25,000 a year in a palatial Virginia home. They are out after the miners.

Here are a few samples of their deceit to the public.

The operators say they "offered the highest wages ever paid to coal miners." They add that they "voluntarily" offered to follow the pattern set in steel and auto—about 16 percent.

But they conceal from the public

the fact that the coal miners are getting today the same base rate of \$1 an hour they received in the spring of 1941, that even the government's index admits a 33 percent rise in the cost of living for that period, and that in the mining areas the rise has been considerably higher.

The miners, of course, have their own accounting with Lewis, whose disruptive strategy during the war and a policy of fighting it out without association with the rest of organized labor, has left the miners far behind the wages. This is why they must now win a far higher raise than the increases won by other basic workers.

## ONE HOUR UP, NOT DOWN

The operators say that they "offered to reduce the working day by one hour."

What they conceal from the public is the fact that the miners are working nine hours a day—two hours overtime, plus a sixth Saturday at overtime. The miners have been able to make ends meet only because their 35-hour working week was increased to 54 hours weekly.

The operators have, in fact, offered to increase the regular working day by an hour to eight a day—all at straight time, which chisels substantially even into the wage raise they do offer. They are not offering a decent wage for the regular 35 hour week that has been established in the coal fields.

The operators say in their ads that the "reason for the coal strike" are the demands for a "royalty" payment on each ton of mined coal towards a "health and welfare" fund and the right of collective bargaining for supervisory staffs.

The ad fails to mention the reason for a health fund—the fact that hospitals are as many as 30 and 40 miles from the mine shacks; that even doctors, few as are available, are many miles away; that children play around coal piles because of no access to recreation facilities and that a miner does not enjoy even the health security of a city worker.

## WHAT WILL THEY GIVE

Many miners and probably most people in this country oppose placing a welfare fund in the dictatorial hands of John L. Lewis. Other unions with similar funds have shown the problem could be solved. But have the operators offered a fund through any other form? Their ad says that they "offered to explore the establishment of a reasonable fund to help in

unusual hardship cases arising directly out of accidents."

The miners don't want a "charity" fund. They want something substantial enough to make life in a mining town at least as modern as it is for workers in urban centers.

On the supervisory staff issue, the ad is mum. Why have not the operators offered to comply with the rulings of the National Labor Relations Board on the issue?

On safety, the operators are equally vague. The union demands that the toothless Federal Mine Inspection Law be given the power of a contract. But the employers insist on operating through the antiquated state laws and mine inspectors who owe their appointments to political tools of the coal operators.

The yearly toll of 1,300 lives and tens of thousands of injuries is the result.

The payoff in the Association's ad is the final paragraph calling for legislation as the "only real solution." The bill they are supporting is supposedly aimed at Lewis. But they are hitting at the 400,000 coal miners and their families.



**Coal Strike Parley:** Soft coal strike negotiations are resumed in Washington. Left to right: Edward F. McGrady, special conciliator called in by the Labor Department; Ezra Van Horn, conference chairman; John T. Jones, conference secretary; John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers, and across the table from Lewis, Charles O'Neill, representing the mine operators.

## Runaway Shop in Norwalk, Locks Out 250 for Forming Union

Special to the Daily Worker

NORWALK, Conn., May 7.—The Yankee Metal Products Corp., a runaway shop from New York, has locked out 250 workers for forming a CIO union.

Despite pressure from Mayor Edward J. Kelley and Paul Robert Silverman, member of the National Labor Relations Board, for an NLRB election, the company refuses to consent to a poll.

Workers, who organized themselves as Local 450 of the United Products Workers, CIO, demand union recognition and termination of a kick-back system which took 25 percent of what they made on incentive.

The company required the 25 percent kick-back for "administrative expenses." Workers are suing to recover what they lost that way

before the lockout.

A union committee had been promised a company reply by April 8 on a demand for recognition. But then the company announced over the plant loud speaker that the factory was closing.

Many of the workers now picketing the plant are veterans and women. Although vets are victims of a lockout, their unemployment insurance is being held up.

## FORD PROPOSES SPEEDUP CONTEST WITH NO PRIZES

By WILLIAM ALLEN

DEARBORN, Mich., May 8.—A direct demand for speedup, disarmingly presented in a personal "man to man" letter, was served on 105,000 Ford Co. workers this week by Henry Ford, 2nd.

Ford pictured his auto operations as part of a football game in which workers formed the "production team," playing rivals employed by other companies, and his corporation executives did the scoring.

He proposed a speedup contest against workers employed by rival auto companies. "If we can beat them at low-cost production, we can have jobs that are better and more secure—jobs for more people," he said.

Ford pictured by the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists as an "advanced social thinker and liberal minded industrialist," made no reference in his letter to the promised 18 cent hourly wage increase, negotiated in January but still missing from workers' envelopes.

## UAW DEMANDS HIKE

A demand that he pay the 18-cent raise, pending settlement of other contract issues was made recently by the general executive board of the CIO United Auto Workers.

The outline for the "Ford Bowl" grid tilts also neglects to say who's

going to pay pensions to workers injured under the pressure of intensified speedup or what will happen to thousands of aged "players" who can't stand the pace and are sent to the bench—jobless.

## BUT ONE ANGLE

The speedup proposal is but one facet of a many-sided Ford plan to send profits sky-ward, no matter where the chips fly.

Looking toward a sales market where anything with four wheels and a paint job will sell, Ford has taken these other steps:

1. Arranged OPA price increases for Ford cars.
2. Negotiated a contract with the UAW which would fix stiff penalties for those who "instigate" or "participate" in "any stoppage, slowdown, walk out, interruption of production."
3. Worked out a scheme with Mayor Orville Hubbard of Dearborn which will transfer taxes from the Ford Co. to workers. The scheme is institution of a payroll tax on everyone who works in Dearborn or resides there. Under this plan, Ford workers employed here but resident in Detroit, would be taxed by Dearborn.

The UAW at Ford has a counter program. It calls for:

1. Standards of production set on

the job, democratically.

2. Immediate payment of the 18-cent raise.
3. Elimination of contract "company security" clauses.
4. Pensions to workers with 20 years' service who can't meet production standards.
5. Pensions for those injured through speedup.
6. Settle grievances, thousands of the hands of an umpire.
7. Scuttle the payroll tax plan. Tax the Ford Co. instead.

## Note Slight Gain In Westinghouse Negotiations

PITTSBURGH, May 7.—Representatives of 75,000 Westinghouse Electric Workers now in the 17th week of their strike and the company were still in negotiations here today.

No details are available, but a statement from union spokesmen said some progress has been made on a number of points. They warned, however, that progress for a general settlement cannot be measured by agreement on any of the points.

## War in 25 Years Seen By 65%, Survey Shows

DENVER, May 7 (UP).—Only one year after the end of the war in Europe, 68 percent of the American people believe the United States will become embroiled in another war within the next quarter century, a nation-wide opinion poll showed yesterday.

The survey, conducted by the National Opinion Research Center of the University of Denver, revealing an increasing "war pessimism" in the American public, disclosed that 79 percent think there will be another war within the next 50 years.

Only 36 percent of the public believed a year ago that the U.S. would go to war again within 25 years. That figure grew to 44 percent by last September.

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## 17,000 Steel Workers Still Out on Strike

PITTSBURGH, May 7.—About 17,000 steelworkers who responded to the industry-wide strike call on January 21, are still out, the CIO United Steelworkers of America revealed here today.

They are employed by 60 companies. The rest of the 1,000 firms employing 750,000 workers have settled for a raise of 18½ cents an hour or better.

Fairbanks, Morse & Co., of Beloit, Wis., employing 4,300 workers is the largest of the strikebound plants.

## UAW Halts Chrysler Firing

HIGHLAND PARK, Mich., May 6 (FP).—Wholesale firing of workers 65 years or over will not be attempted by the Chrysler Corp. A corporation-wide strike had been threatened by the CIO United Auto Workers when the company threatened the firings. Under union pressure, the firing order was quietly dropped.

In return the UAW has agreed to draft a retirement plan on which negotiations will take place. Director Matthews and Research Director James A. Wishart of the UAW are now at work on the union plan.

A general retirement plan for workers throughout the auto industry is also under consideration by the union. This is in accordance with the statement of policy adopted by the UAW executive board April 16 "to fight for the establishment of an old-age retirement plan, funds to be provided by the employers."



# Some Notes on a Trip to Czechoslovakia

By HARRY POLLITT  
(Third of a Series)

PRAGUE.

In addition to the Party offices, where some 500 comrades are employed, the Party has also got another magnificent building opposite its offices, called Slavia House. It was formerly called The German House. It was the strong point, from which all Nazi propaganda in Czechoslovakia was organized. Here Goebbels, Henlein and Frank made their speeches and prepared their plans. It cost over one million Czech crowns to build. Now it is being used for a just and righteous cause.

The daily newspaper of the Party is called Rude Prave (Red Flag). It is written, produced and distributed from the former Printing House of the Agrarian Party, the once strong Party of Czech reaction. It is the finest printing plant and building I have seen apart from Pravda in Moscow. You get a kick out of seeing it, but it makes you darned envious all the same.

## HATE GERMANY

You have got to move around such places as Prague, Kladno and Brno to get an idea of how Germany is hated. The mention

of Germany evokes the strongest feelings, and no one would dream of using the German language in a country where almost everyone can speak it.

The Communist Party in Czechoslovakia in 1939 had 70,000 members. Now it has over one million and the 250,000 who have joined in the last two months joined because of the leading role the Party is playing in the reconstruction of the country. One hundred and twenty thousand peasants have been given land formerly owned by Germans and Czech traitors.

The economic program of the Government aims to nationalize 70 percent of industry. In Britain we aim at 20 percent.

## AIM AT MAJORITY

The aim of the Party at the general election in May is to win an absolute majority for the Communist Party and the Social Democratic Party.

Four Parties make up the National Front: the Communist Party, the Social Democratic Party, the National Socialist Party and the Catholic Party. The National Front represents the working class, peasantry, intelligentsia and small businessmen.

The difference between the Na-

tional Front in Czechoslovakia and certain other countries in Europe where there is also a national front is that in Czechoslovakia, no reactionary forces are allowed to appear in public.

The political basis of the National Front is the program adopted by the Benes Government. Since the operation of nationalization, certain differences have begun to manifest themselves. The general election results will give these elements their answer.

## PARTY RESPONSIBILITY

In a general election in Czechoslovakia, you vote for parties, and the central committee then appoint their members of Parliament in accordance with the total vote the parties receive at the election.

There is a tremendous difference in the attitude of the workers to nationalize than in Britain. Their industries and their whole administration is based on a conception of democracy and workers control, that has not yet even been approached in Britain.

The Communist Party has 80 district schools and a national school. They are all housed in splendid buildings. The Party cannot print educational mate-

rial fast enough to meet the demand.

All goods, with very few exceptions, are rationed or on points. There is an acute shortage of fats and meat. The health situation is not good because of the shortage and sufferings enforced on the people by the Nazis. I was told this is particularly manifesting itself among the younger children, where two out of three are suffering from some form of tuberculosis.

The cigarette ration is three per day for men.

The aim of the government is to raise the level of production by the end of 1946 to prewar and obtain a good harvest and end rationing of all goods but meat and fats.

## HOLD HIGH POSTS

The evacuation of the Germans may cause some temporary economic difficulties in certain industries, because of their skill and experience, but these are being faced and will be overcome.

Leading members of the Communist Party hold the following positions in the government: Vice-Prime Minister, Minister of the Interior, Minister of Information, Minister of Education, Minister of Agriculture, Minister of

Social Welfare; Vice-Prime Minister of Slovakia and Assistant Secretary of Foreign Affairs.

There can be no doubt of the hard time the people of Czechoslovakia are having. But there is a confidence in the country that is inspiring to see. Every week some little improvement is to be seen. The shops are being filled again, although you have only to notice the looks on peoples faces when they gape into food shop windows to know what the basic problem is.

There is no pessimism about the working people. There is a spring in their tread. They know where they are going and they are determined to get there.

The attitude to nationalization is magnificent, but only because they know they are the driving force in it. That it is themselves and the nation they are working for. That they have a decisive part to play. That democracy is not a fig leaf for capitalist administration of a nationalized industry, or that the nation is placing a noose round its neck by the character of the compensation it proposes to pay to the owners of nationalized industry.

Keep your eyes on Czechoslovakia. It is going places.

# Letters from Our Readers

## Free Enterprise Or Socialism?

San Diego, Calif.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

The fact that Russia is now second to our nation in its productive capacity and military power is now general recognized. If Russia maintains her present rate of progressive development and if this country continues to operate under our free enterprise system, with its panics and unemployment, within a few years Russia will outstrip this country in productive capacity and wealth.

The tremendous increase of Russian productivity has aroused fear in the minds of some American imperialists and they are urging this nation to declare war before that nation becomes too powerful. These gentlemen, while safely seated behind their mahogany desks, are pouring out constant streams of resentment

and hatred against Russia in an effort to arouse a war hysteria that will find, or, if need be, create, a pretext for declaring war.

From 1926 to 1938, under our free "enterprise system," the job owners closed and locked their factories' doors and threw millions of American workers on the streets, unemployed and hungry, to live in Hoovervilles and subsist on doles or charity. But during those same years Russian workers were busily engaged in rebuilding their nation, building houses, schools, hospitals and factories.

During those hard and hungry years the Russian workers were given the right to work and build, while in this country the corporations and men who own the jobs refused to grant to American workers the right to work and to build.

Again the Russian workers are rebuilding their devastated coun-

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try and again American men and corporations who own all of the jobs lock their factory doors, close their mines and mills and refuse to grant American workers the right to work and to build. Again they are preparing the way for new Hoovervilles and an enlarged WPA.

FRANK SIMPSON.

## Sailors Find It Takes Time to Remake Nazis

New York  
Editor, Daily Worker:

We entered the port of Bremerhaven, Germany, on the 16th of March. There are some German sailors stationed within the gates to the docks, and as the walk

from our ship to the main gate was two miles, we were able to engage in conversation with them.

We were warned about the American Bolsheviks in high government positions who were seeking to turn the U.S. over to the USSR.

According to these representatives of the Hitler youth, it was not Germany but Russia who was and still is our real enemy. And then scoffing at Russian military might they told us how easy it would be for the U. S. and England to destroy Russia with the atom bomb.

After a week's stay in Bremerhaven, we thoroughly agree with those who have said it would take more than a decade of education to erase the Hitler doctrine from the minds of the German people and, at that, it depends upon who does the educating.

NATHAN BRUSH,  
MORRIS BAER,  
Merchant Seamen.

## The Pay Off

New York.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

Sir Samuel Hoare of the ill-famed Hoare-Laval scheme to bribe Mussolini wrote eight articles for the New York Times. On April 23 last, the fourth article appeared under the caption, "Appeasement of Spain Is Denied by Hoare." The tory Briton wrote: "I had gone to Spain for one purpose, and one purpose only, to do what I could to keep Spain out of the German camp."

"On Feb. 14, 1941," he went on, "the Generalissimo left no one in doubt as to his wish for an Axis victory." Speaking in the Alcazar in Seville to a large meeting of army officers, he declared that "for 20 years Germany had been the defender of European civilization."

Here in black and white we have a remarkable revelation of British diplomatic dishonesty. As it was well known Franco and his Falangist cut-throats were all for a Nazi victory, and Hoare said he went to Spain "to keep it out of the German camp." Only he conveniently omits telling us about the price.

One installment is now coming into full public view. It is in the form of the support the Franco regime is getting from the "Socialist" Ernest Bevin, who would rather see the Spanish people suffer and perish than lift a finger aiming at the breaking of the Hoare-Franco deal.

More shocking still, the American, Australian and Netherlands delegates to UN are one with Bevin. They prefer Franco's tyranny to making it humanly possible for the tortured Spanish people to regain their lost freedom.

G. A.  
**Robeson Biography In 'True Comics'**

Brooklyn, N.Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

True Comics, the 10-cent cartoon magazine, in its April, 1946, issue has the biography of Paul Robeson in a four-page strip. It is very progressive in many parts.

For example, Mrs. Robeson says: "I'm glad we came to Russia to live for little Paul's sake." Paul Robeson, Sr., answers, "Yes. There's no discrimination against colored people here."

TEACHER

## Let's Face It

By MAX GORDON

MAYBE Truman and his advisers think they can appease the foes of OPA by their price concessions to big business.

In the past several days, they have raised the price of milk, bread, cigarettes. They have taken many items off the price control list altogether. They have suggested dropping meat controls but retreated when the people hit back.

If their idea is that they can get congressional reactionaries to yield that way, they're dead wrong.

First, the classic result of all appeasement is simply to incite reaction to howl for more.

Second, OPA failure to hold the price line tends to discourage and demoralize its backers in their fight to have it continued. A "what's the use" attitude develops and paralyzes action.

Reaction's most telling argument against price control is that it is not working anyway, so why continue it? And there are signs that this argument is having some effect.

## BENEFICIAL EFFECTS

The battle for OPA has had one great political result. It has opened the eyes of large numbers of people, who otherwise might have been apathetic to the importance of Congress in their daily lives.

To that extent it has facilitated the work of the CIO Political Action Committee in get-

ting the people to the polls this fall. We know from experience that the larger the vote, the better the chance to defeat reaction and elect progressives.

It has also provided a means of smoking out the most reactionary elements in Congress so that the people will know who they are.

But these political effects, too, may be weakened by continual concessions to reaction on the price control front. Many people will figure there is no point in pillorying a foe of OPA since even its supposed friends have betrayed it.

I NOTE that the social democrats who organized the "National Education Committee for a new party" in Chicago early in April met again over the week-end, this time in Detroit.

Apparently sensitive to criticism that they organized to oppose the CIO Political Action Committee, they issued a statement after the meeting vehemently denying any such intentions.

Stung by charges that they were launching a third party prematurely as an aid to reaction, they also insisted they were planning no such thing.

"If and when a new people's party does arise it will arise as the action of organized labor, farmers, white collar, professionals and small businessmen who will join together against the threat of monopoly capitalism to economic plenty, freedom and peace," their statement said.

That is a very pretty statement and readers





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## HIS 'One World'



## France Is Not for Sale

THE true face of the administration's foreign policy is being revealed rather nakedly these days.

The government is working to bolster bloody fascism in Spain; at the same time, it is working to balk democracy in France.

Our policy makers seem to prefer the "Spanish model," in which Franco acted as a pro-Nazi Axis satellite, to the "French model" where democracy has launched its fight against the pro-German trusts.

Following the French vote on the constitution, our policy makers have rushed in rather too eagerly. Not only did Secretary Byrnes congratulate Foreign Minister Bidault, but our Ambassador to France, Mr. Caffery of Mississippi, had the gall to urge the State Department yesterday "to time our announcement of a loan about mid-May to kick off the French elections of June 2," as the United Press put it yesterday.

Thus, the Wall Street Dollar appears on the international scene as the new Trojan Horse, the real hidden weapon of our imperialist intervention in every corner of the globe where direct military intervention is not practicable right now. Wall Street wants to buy France's political soul.

Our loan to Britain is being advertised as a means of bolstering the system of British imperialist domination over the countries of the Mediterranean and the Middle East. We are putting pressure on Poland the same way. In the Balkans we are trading on the people's hunger to force the new democracies there to permit the old pro-fascist monarchists to return to power.

It is time for us plain Americans to wake up to the fact, shown so vividly in this French intervention, that the government's policies today are out to make the United States the boss of the world. Americans, both in uniform and out of uniform, will have to pay for that kind of expansionist, interventionist imperialism. The world is not going to accept meekly the dictation of the Wall Street dollar imperialism.

### The 200 Families

In France, the working class has achieved miracles in advancing popular democracy. The action of the Communist and Socialist parties has been giving the willies to the aristocratic 200 families—the snobbish, greedy trusts who sold out to the Nazis.

Reactionaries in France looked to their class brothers in our country for help. With Leon Blum's trip here, it was widely whispered that Washington would give France economic help only if Blum could get the right wing Socialists to balk the move for a democratic constitution.

Furthermore, the Washington gossip was that our State Department didn't like the way France was acting up against Franco's Spanish fascism. Go easy on Franco, and you'll get the dough, was the hint. In France itself, this propaganda was quite strong.

But the worshippers of Petain and Laval in England and our country who think that they've got France in the bag with the aid of the almighty dollar will find that things are not so easy for them.

There remains the mighty democratic will of the French people.

There remains, despite all efforts to split it, the joint action of the Communist and Socialist parties, sabotaged from within, it is true, by powerful forces who are trying to appease Big Capital as they once before voted to appease Hitler at Munich. France has its treacherous Dubinskys peddling the Berlin-made poisons of "anti-Communist" hysteria.

It is up to us in this country to see to it that neither Wall Street nor Washington uses our country's wealth as a club to aid the anti-democratic gangs in France.

Revival of reaction in France will inevitably encourage the Hooverites and Hearsts in America. If the French people lose their democratic liberties, we will be on the way to losing ours as sure as fate.

We should support the French fight against Franco. The right of France to her independent, democratic life means much for our own future.

## Which Imperialism Leads The Way: U. S. or British?

By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

In the New York Herald Tribune, May 4, Mr. Walter Lippmann portrays the European and world situation as though Great Britain and the Soviet Union are about to plunge into war against each other, while the United States is in the position of a mediator between the two hostile powers.

But Lippmann's picture is a false one. It is a typical dodge through which American imperialism seeks to obscure its own aggressively expansionist program by appearing in the role of an innocent bystander.

Those Gold Dust Twins of British imperialism, Winston Churchill and Ernest Bevin, may shout loudly against the USSR and organize an anti-Soviet Anglo-American military alliance, and the quarrel in UN may turn around questions dealing closely with Great Britain's "life line"—Spain, Italy, Greece, Iran, Tripolitania, etc.—but the real steam for the aggressive anti-Soviet position of Great Britain is furnished by the powerful reactionaries in the United States. Without strong American backing, Great Britain, a second class military power, would never dare to pursue its present provocative policy against the powerful USSR.

### BRITISH WEAKNESS

This is because during the recent war Great Britain showed its serious military weakness. In the Far East, Japan readily captured the colonies of Great Britain and of its satellite Dutch Empire, and Japan would also have conquered Australia and New Zealand had it not been for the United States Navy and Air Force.

And in Europe, likewise, Hitler easily drove the British armies into the sea in France and Greece, and he would have surely overrun the British Isles had he not been afraid of a two-front war, what with the Red Army in his rear.

It is true that in the North Africa and Italian campaigns, in the bombing raids, in the North Atlantic and in the final invasion of Europe the British forces played an important role, but still it was on a comparatively limited scale.

It is idle to say, therefore, of this relative military weakness, that Great Britain, of itself, would stand up so belligerently as it is now against the powerful USSR, which carried

by far the heaviest part of the general burden of defeating Hitler's tremendous war machine. The militant policy of the British imperialists, both Tories and social democrats, is due precisely to their realization that they have behind them the strong backing of the United States.

### TRIGGER-HAPPY

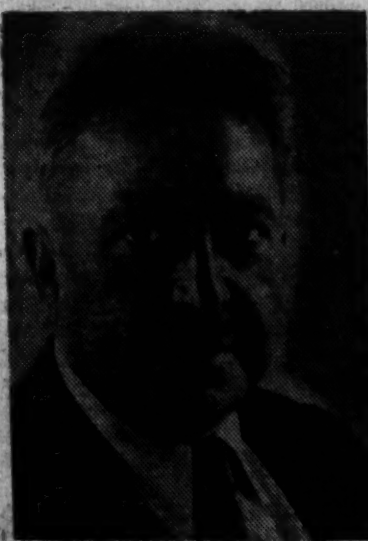
Despite such imperialist soothsayers as Mr. Lippmann, who seek both to hide and to speed up the aggressive world plans of American monopoly capital, the key to the present tense international situation is the drive of American imperialism to make its power dominant throughout the world. With this country's tremendous air, naval, industrial, and financial strength, the American imperialists are determined to force the peoples of the world to do their bidding.

And they are all the more insistent because, trigger-happy over the possession of the destructive atomic bomb, they feel that now is the chosen time to push their imperialist policies relentlessly. They fear that delay might be ruinous to their plans; for they believe delay would give the USSR time to recuperate from the war and to develop the atomic bomb.

If the American people are to follow a determined and intelligent peace policy, one designed to prevent our nation's sons from being slaughtered criminally in a new world war, it is necessary that we be done once and for all with the absurd fiction, propagated by many sources, that the United States is innocently tailing along after Great Britain, doing its bidding, and thus being led into various unwelcome imperialist adventures.

In reality, the boss of the Anglo-American combination, which has now become virtually a military alliance, is not Great Britain, but the United States. It is the great monopolists of this country, not their lesser brethren in the British Isles, who occupy the driver's seat in organizing the present thrust of war-like world reaction against the USSR, against the liberation movements in the colonial and semi-colonial countries, and against the new democracies in Europe.

Labor and the American people, to avoid a new war holocaust, must realize this vital fact.



BEDACHT

## Back 'Daily' Conference: Bedacht

Max Bedacht, general secretary of the International Workers Order, yesterday appealed to all lodge members to support the May 11 conference called to organize aid for the Daily Worker.

Bedacht's statement cited the role of the Daily Worker in building the IWO and stated that it is the only English language daily which keeps its columns open to the order.

"This New York daily is an island of truth in the daily flood of newspaper lies," he said. "The Daily Worker speaks for the working people. It gives them and

their organizations the opportunity to speak to each other through its columns."

The conference will be held this Saturday at 1 p.m. at Tom Mooney Hall.

There plans will be made to raise the \$150,000 needed to cover the paper's deficit for 1945.

Among conference sponsors are Alex Sirota, manager of Local 140, United Furniture Workers; Ben Gold, president of the International Fur and Leather Workers; Isidore Kahn, organizer of AFL Jewelry Local 1, and Lewis Merrill, president of the United Office and Professional Workers.



# Labor Split Weakens Puerto Rico's Fight

By HELEN SIMON  
First of Three Articles

Puerto Rico's fight against U.S. colonial rule has been seriously retarded because its labor movement is split four ways — the General Confederation of Labor (CGT), divided into two warring factions for the past year, the Federacion Libre (AFL) and independent unions.

The CGT is affiliated to the Latin American Confederation of Labor (CTAL), but even CTAL emissary Lazaro Pena of Cuba was unable to mend the disastrous breach when he visited Puerto Rico last fall.

Of Puerto Rico's 500,000 wage earners (in a population of more than 2,000,000), perhaps half regard themselves as union members, but far fewer pay dues. Relative strength of labor's different sections as estimated by Cesar Andreu, president of the newly reestablished Communist Party, is as follows: CGT (Barreto Perez sector) 75,000; (Colon Gordiano sector) — 15,000;

AFL—20,000; independent—15,000.

## FREE FEDERATION

The Federacion Libre was established in 1896 by the founders of the Puerto Rican Socialist Party who tied the unions in with the Socialists and their unpopular "statehood" program. F. L. leaders in the Republican - Socialist government coalition worked harmoniously with the repressive Winslow regime which preceded Governor Rexford Guy Tugwell's appointment. They betrayed a whole series of strikes in the thirties.

In 1938, however a dock strike was won with CIO National Maritime Union support. This victory encouraged up-and-coming labor leaders to adopt the CIO principles of struggle, and in March, 1940, the CGT was formed.

## SPLIT ON POLITICS

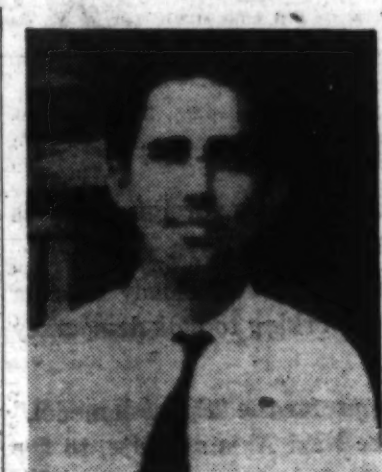
The CGT grew rapidly, conducted many successful strikes and signed collective agreements in which the workers gained considerably.

As indicated, one of the main

reasons for the CGT's coming into being was that workers wanted their unions to be independent of political entanglements. But the CGT split took place on this issue.

A section of the CGT leadership—under Barreto Perez and Ramos Antonini—wanted to tie the unions to the kite of the Popular Democratic Party which now has a 96 percent majority in the insular legislature. This sector, while a minority at the CGT congress where the split occurred, now controls a majority of organized workers—especially in the sugar fields and centrals. The other section, under Colon Gordiano, has assumed an increasingly intransigent anti-Populares attitude. It has indulged so frequently in destructive criticism of the government program (which on the whole has been positive) that Populares head Luis Munoz Marin recently read members of this sector out of the party.

As everywhere in the world, the



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rank and file workers—united in hunger and misery and earning a pitiful average wage of \$350 a year per family—want unity. But the leaders of the two sectors, perhaps motivated by considerations of prestige, have grown farther apart. Re-establishment of the Communist Party, I believe, will prove

to be the decisive factor in healing the split through rank-and-file action.

I went with Juan Santos Rivera, general secretary of the Party and education and propaganda secretary of the Colon Gordiano CGT to visit the office of the Barreto Perez CGT.

He was welcomed warmly; consulted on organizational problems. He had the same reception at an independent bus drivers' local. He told me that he, and other Communist trade unionists, have similar standing with AFL unions.

The Communist Party is starting out again with many union leaders of all affiliations in its ranks. Its basic program declares:

"Our most important task at this time is to contribute to the unity of the working class, developing its class consciousness, so that the proletariat can march in the vanguard of struggle for national emancipation and achieve the establishment of a Republican government which corresponds to the aspirations of the oppressed and exploited masses."

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### Tonight Manhattan

**DRESSMAKERS!** The well-known lecturer and author, Mr. Albert Kahn, co-author of "Sabotage" and "The Great Conspiracy," will speak on the "Anti-Soviet Conspiracy," Wednesday, May 8, 8:30 p.m., 315 W. 42 St. Auspices: Daily Worker Forum.

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### Coming

**OPEN FORUM:** Is America Heading for War? Speaker: Sender Garlin. Free. Chelsea Section CP, 269 W. 25th St. 2nd floor.

### Philadelphia

**GALA CONCERT.** 20th anniversary Jewish Children's School. Colorful program: Yiddish drama, song and dance. Guest speaker, Albert E. Kahn, National President Jewish People's Fraternal Order, 370 Town Hall, Sunday, May 12, 1946, 7 p.m. Admission \$1.00 tax included.

## PRESS ROUNDUP

**THE TIMES** writer, James Reston, says the Administration "would like to convince the French that it is not in their best interest to side with the Soviet Union." He implies that the French loan will be used to pressure the French people from going left. "In view of the implications in yesterday's vote that France has not decided to swing full-hill to the left, the loan's chances are better tonight than they have been for weeks." Right-wing Socialist Leon Blum is here to get the loan. Which confirms many reports that the right wing of the Socialist Party sabotaged the united Socialist-Communist campaign for the adoption of the new Constitution.

Arguing editorially for the extension of the draft, the Times wants the U.S. to "take its full part in the remaking of a world." It favors the use of American troops not merely for the occupation of the defeated countries. It urges a strong Army for the "establishment and maintenance of order in other parts of the world." This means the occupation of 56 countries and major islands outside of Germany and Japan, in the interests of Wall Street diplomacy.

**THE DAILY NEWS** favors a grab of 23 bases in the Pacific and raises the old, imperialist bogey of the "Yellow Peril." According to the News, "Orientals like this country and would like to possess it." The News foresees a war "with an organized and militant China," and throws China into the same category as Japan.

That the Chinese people fought the same enemy we did and have the same interests as the American people in opposing imperialism doesn't count with the News, which said, just before Pearl Harbor, "Let's appease Japan."

**THE HERALD TRIBUNE** columnist, Walter Lippmann, sees a clash of British and Soviet interests in Germany. The Soviet Union has charged that the British maintain a Nazi German army intact in its zone. Lippmann confirms this: "There is also a German army, a large and good one, which surrendered to the British. The story of that surrender has still to be told in detail. The story of what happened to that German army after the surrender is still hidden behind a silken curtain."

While charging that the Soviet Union has an "iron curtain" which conceals what happened to

captured German generals, Lippmann cannot point to Soviet violation of the Potsdam and Yalta agreements, as in the case of Great Britain. Nor does he cite American Big Business support for the German industrial interests who sponsored Nazism, violation of the reparations agreement by the U.S. and the flourishing of Nazi influence in the American zone in Germany.

Confirmation that right-wing Socialist sabotage caused the defeat of the referendum for the French constitution comes in a cable by Paris Correspondent Walter Kerr: "Many Socialists were satisfied with the outcome, on the ground that it was a defeat for the Communists. Although their party backed the documents along with the Communists, many Socialists were uneasy over the liaison. It was agreed that many of the defections had been in the Socialist ranks."

**THE WORLD-TELEGRAM** columnist, Eleanor Roosevelt, believes that Congressmen can't make up their minds "because the American people are not clear and determined in their own minds where they stand and where they are going." The American people are clearly for saving OPA, but the House wrecked this measure. The people are also for peace, but Republican and Democratic Congressmen cheerfully support a policy contrary to Roosevelt's "Big Three Unity" program.

**THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN** defends Gideonse against the Teachers Union. That sterling example of Hearst education, Howard Rushmore, is assigned the job of exposing the red plot against Brooklyn's unpopular college president. Rushmore is fresh from a previous expose of a red plot to "save OPA" and another one to institute "a municipal diaper system."

**THE DAILY MIRROR** columnist, Drew Pearson, tells how Maj. Gen. Graves Erskine tried "to get more clothes for veterans." He sought co-operation from Civilian Administration head John Small. "Erskine thought he had it arranged with Small to order this. But he didn't count Arthur Besse, head of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, New England blue-blood treasurer of the North American Yacht Racing Union, a smooth, convincing talker. He talked Small out of the order. Erskine hadn't reckoned on the wool lobby."

**THE POST** charges "O'Dwyer and Moses had butter fingers when it came to putting Quonset huts on empty lots" for veterans. Maybe Quonset huts offend Moses' esthetic sensibilities.

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# 50,000 Braved Terror in Manila May 1 Parade

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MANILA, May 7.—More than 50,000 people, coming from Manila and adjoining Central Luzon regions, observed May Day in an enthusiastic parade that terminated in Tondo,

the working class district of Manila. Organizations participating included the Congress on Labor Organizations (CIO), the National Peasants Union (PKM), the Democratic Alliance, Philippine Lawyers' Guild and 20 other civic and political organizations.

The keynote of the meeting was resistance to American imperialist intervention in the Philippines. The demonstrators particularly scored the role of High Commissioner Paul V. McNutt. Speakers urged McNutt's recall.

Placards attacked the Philippines Trade Act, signed April 30 by President Truman, as unfair to both Philippine and American labor. They declared: "Philippine Trade Act—American Version of Japanese Co-Prosperity Sphere."

Cipriano Cid, recently reelected president of the Congress on Labor Organization, representing 80,000 workers, stated that labor will fight

any attempt by the Roxas administration to secure acceptance of the Philippine Congress of the Trade Act.

Judge Jesus Barrera, president of the Democratic Alliance, leading anti-fascist political party in the Philippines, called Roxas a tool of American imperialists. "The people will stand on guard so that their welfare is not battered away," he said.

The meeting unanimously adopted resolutions calling for the immediate withdrawal of U. S. forces in the Philippines. Another resolution declared: "Mr. McNutt has proved himself an enemy of Philippine freedom and an unworthy representative of the American people. He has sought through 'reexamination' to defer Philippine independence. He has sought through the Philippine Trade Act and the pending Tydings-Bell bill to amend the Philippine Independence Act, in

order to perpetuate for the next 28 years Philippine economic bondage to American vested interests."

The meeting further called for adherence to President Roosevelt's directives for the removal of all collaborators from positions of influence and for the uprooting of all fascist remnants still remaining in the Philippines. President-elect Manuel Roxas was sharply elected for the leading collaborationist role he played during the Japanese occupation.

Pedro Castro, speaking on behalf of the Philippine Communist Party, urged labor to organize in order to insure that the new administration

carry out a genuine program for the welfare of the working people. He pointed out that reaction in the Philippines is emboldened by the victory of Roxas.

Widespread terrorism is taking place in the provinces of Central Luzon, resulting in the killing of many peasants. Castro revealed that a number of workers, while on their way to the May Day parade, were attacked by Military Police. Three were killed and others were brutally mistreated.

Election returns show that six out of the seven candidates for the Philippine Congress on the Democratic Alliance ticket have been

elected. A move is already under way to unseat them.

## Philippine MPs Hunt Guerrillas

Philippine military police are out to annihilate the Hukbalahap, anti-Japanese guerrillas who opposed collaborationist Manuel Roxas, winning candidate in the recent presidential election.

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By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

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With millions of workers out in the biggest strikes this country has ever seen, the billion dollar trusts recently lie prostrate—dead as a cemetery. Only labor could breathe life into them again.

### A NEW DAY

Community, citizen and farmer support for strikers, the active participation of returned veterans on the picket lines—on labor's side—were unheard of a few decades ago.

Labor is a force to be reckoned with in America today, able to take the offensive politically to supplement the defense of its wage and strike struggles. Strong as American capitalists are and ambitious as they are to fear the world, they nevertheless rule the rising tide of the people's movement.

We Communists have the deepest confidence in the workers, their militancy, honesty and courage. We Communists arouse among them not only a burning hatred of exploitation but a strong sense of their own power. We need more workers with Communist consciousness to help their fellow workers overcome weaknesses, prejudices and back-

ward notions—the influence of the capitalist class on their thinking.

If you, dear reader, are one of the militant and progressive workers who belong naturally in the ranks of the Communists, I urge you to answer our appeal.

### CAN WE LAG BEHIND?

Can we Americans lag behind when the rest of the world is moving forward? Join with us now to curb the power of the trusts. Let us protect ourselves and help the people of other lands by disarming these enemies of democracy and progress!

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Are you ready to enlist in the cause of the people against capitalism? Then you are ready to join the Communist Party!

"Rise like lions after slumber, In unvanquished number, Shake your chain to earth, like dew,

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So sang the poet Shelley long ago. Coal miners, steel, packing, maritime, rubber, lumber, textile, railroad workers; auto, aircraft, electrical-radio shoe, farm equipment workers—we invite you, one and all, to join the Communist Party. We are proud of our Party, and we need fighting workers like you to deepen its ties among the people.

It is a tough world! But men and women like you are strong to face the storms ahead. All over the world they are strong to face the storms ahead. Come on—it's a good life of struggle and comradeship, of high purpose and great ideals.

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# Trotskyism: A Self-Portrait

MEMOIRS OF BECAFE COUNTY. By Edmund Wilson. Doubleday. \$3.50.  
Reviewed by KARL SCHMIDT

Edmund Wilson's latest book, a collection of autobiographical short stories, is a revelation of the depths of human degeneracy which gape before renegades and others who turn against mankind. Among

the reviewers I have read, in the Times, the Tribune, Time and PM, not one has expressed any real liking for the book. After paying lip service to the erudition and alleged perceptiveness of the New Yorker's chief literary critic, all say in substance that there is something seriously wrong with the book, and there are strong hints that possibly something is wrong with the aging pundit himself. Not one of the reviewers mentioned that Mr. Wilson is a Trotskyite, but that is what ails him. In an intimate, detailed, personal way, his book not only reflects the fascist political outlook of Trotskyism, but also directly expresses the typical mentality and personality of a cultivated Trotskyite.

The six first-person stories are set within the cocktail circles and commuter's circuit of New York City. The cynically pretentious term memoirs very likely reflects Wilson's sense of his waning power and the dissipation of his life at the tender age of fifty-one. He suffers the despair of the damned. As Charles Poore, the Times reviewer, said of Wilson's characters, "If Marx doesn't get them, the devil will." But this is the twentieth century, Marxism is a vital, creative force, and the devil is dead as a dodo. I think this bothers Wilson, the devil's advocate.

## DEEP HATRED OF HUMAN BEINGS

Naturally, Wilson has a deep and abiding hatred of human beings. And he does not hide his hot and murky light under a bushel, either. On the contrary, he beats his breast about it, as he does about many other things. When he was "on the verge of thirty," he writes, "I knew what human beings were—they might be more or less picturesque in their various environments and climates, and to the young this was a source of excitement; but to me . . . it was desolately, incontrovertibly evident that people under any conditions were the same wry, pathetic freaks, and why should I go to the trouble of moving about among them in order to observe the shapes which their defects and distortions could take?"

Wilson is so obsessed with hatred and contempt for others—and with his sense of his own "neurosis"—that the stories in this collection are full of this kind of hateful self-analytical digression. If creative writing by such a wretch could have any genuine artistic quality, it would be spoiled by these week-day sermons on the author's soul, the frightful state of the world and mankind, on Marxism and sin. Since positive creation is precluded by the author's negative, destructive urge, these didactic passages serve only to make his nature and direction obvious beyond dispute. It is all one.

The true inhuman character of our hero is exposed most fully in his sadistic, scornful treatment of women, for here the concentration of his political and personal vitriol reaches its peak. There are two women in the book whom he says he thinks of marrying, Imogen and Jo. His attitude toward them is basically more that of a rapist—a Nazi degenerate—than anything else I have ever read in the first person. At the time when he is thinking most seriously of marrying Jo, he persuades her to go upstairs with him during a formal evening party. With evident self-satisfaction, he tells us of "the gusto

that I expected to taste in the coarse enjoyment of Jo in her evening gown—the fierce sense of violating a woman at her most contrivedly attractive." The other woman of his dreams is Imogen, the main character of by far the longest story in the collection, "The Princess With the Golden Hair." Imogen is an invalid with an ailing back, possibly imaginary, which requires her to wear a harsh, painful brace. Wilson was "stimulated oddly" and even "mobily," he reminisces pleasantly, by envisioning the brace as "a harness which showed silver on her lovely skin, which pressed tight on her feminine softness, which would fetter her, would hold her half-helpless, while I intimately invaded and enjoyed her and compelled her to shudder in submission under the hard non-conductive metal." It is hardly necessary to comment on his reactionary "woman's place is in the home" political program as it is revealed in various contemptuous asides and digressions scattered through the stories.

Communists draw Wilson's most venomous slander, obviously. He does not deal fully with political issues, of course, but uses the technique of character assassination—sniggering jokes and sly canards. "Have I told you the wise old saying of Dr. Antichrist? Marxism is the opium of the intellectuals," I laughed and snickered." The author's fascist friend, Wilbur Flick becomes a "Communist" after his release from a sanitarium. When he throws a party for Loyalist Spain and praises the Daily Worker, Wilson tells him acridly that the Worker "won't tell you that the Russian commissars are keeping supplies from non-Stalinist republicans and shooting people who criticize Stalinists, no matter how Loyalist they are." After looking more carefully at Wilbur, Wilson perceives that his Communism is just another of his many poses, "a kind of exclusive club that was soon to dominate the world." Many "casual" references throughout the stories are calculated to draw the same caricature of Communists as a batch of maladjusted phony middle-class intellectuals. You would think that Wilson, this crafty enemy of the working class, had never heard of the working class.

Edmund Wilson is a liar—a clever liar, perhaps—but a conscious, deliberate purveyor of the big lie.



Anna Sokolow will give a program of dances in the Theresa L. Kaufmann Auditorium of the YM & YWHA, Lexington Ave. at 92 St., N. Y., on Sunday afternoon, May 12 at 3:30.



## ABEL PLENN DESCRIBES LIFE IN FRANCO SPAIN

Abel Plenn, author of the recently published *Wind in the Olive Trees*, will speak on what is going on inside Spain from tonight (May 8) of the New York Independent Citizens' Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, in the Grand Ballroom of the Henry Hudson Hotel.

Other speakers who will discuss the evening's subject *Is Spain a Menace to the Peace?* are: Russell Nixon, former AMG expert on Nazi property outside Germany, who will speak on Nazi influence in Spain; and Dr. Edward Barsky, chairman of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, whose topic will be *Spain and the Wood-Rankin Committee*.

William Blake, well known novelist and lecturer, will be chairman of the meeting, which is scheduled to start at 8:30 p.m.

## Corrupting British Film Standards

LONDON (ALN).—A strong demand for limitations on the number of American films entering Britain was made this week by the annual conference of the Association of Cine-Technicians, which organizes most of the staff of Britain's film industry. Unless the government acts, the ACT said, Hollywood products will not only continue to swamp British theaters but Hollywood style will also corrupt British film standards. The ACT hit British attempts to imitate "Hollywood extravagance." The union also demanded steps to curb the growing film monopoly under J. Arthur Rank.

### 11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF—Fred Waring Show  
WOR—News, Talk; Music  
WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman  
WABC—Arthur Godfrey  
WMCA—News; Music Box  
WQXR—Alma Detlinger, News  
11:15-WOR—Tello-Test-Quiz  
11:30-WEAF—Barry Cameron—Sketch  
WOR—Take It Easy Time  
WJZ—Home Edition  
WABC—Tena and Tim—Sketch  
WMCA—News Reports  
WQXR—Concert Music  
11:45-WEAF—David Harum  
WOR—Talk—Victor Lindiahr  
WJZ—Ted Malone—Talk  
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories  
WMCA—This Woman's World

### NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF—John Hainline, News  
WJZ—Lyle Van, News  
WJZ—Glamour Manor  
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat  
WQXR—News; Luncheon Music  
12:15-WEAF—Maggi McNeill  
WOR—Hymns You Love  
WABC—Big Sister  
12:30-WEAF—Art Van Damme Quartet  
WOR—News; The Answer Man  
WJZ—News; Charm School  
WABC—Helen Trent  
WMCA—Don Goddard, News; Music  
12:45-WEAF—Ray Barrett, Interviews  
WABC—Our Gal Sunday  
1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride  
WOR—Mealtime Melodies  
WJZ—H. R. Baukhage, News  
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful  
WQXR—News; Symphonic Music  
1:15-WJZ—The Woman's Exchange  
WABC—Ma Perkins  
1:30-WOR—Lopes Orchestra  
WABC—Young Dr. Malone—Sketch  
WJZ—Galen Drake  
1:45-WEAF—Morgan Beauty, News  
WOR—John J. Anthony  
WABC—Road of Life—Sketch

### 2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF—The Guiding Light  
WOR—Daily Dilemmas  
WJZ—John B. Kennedy  
WABC—Second Mrs. Burton  
WMCA—News; Ray Smith, Songs  
WQXR—News; Pop Concert  
2:15-WEAF—Today's Children  
WJZ—Pat Barnes—Talk  
WABC—Perry Mason—Sketch  
2:30-WEAF—Woman in White  
WOR—Queen for a Day  
WJZ—Bride and Groom  
WABC—Rosemary—Sketch  
WMCA—Variety Music  
WQXR—Request Music  
2:45-WEAF—Masquerade—Sketch  
WABC—Time to Remember  
3:00-WEAF—A Woman of America  
WOR—Martha Deane Program  
WJZ—Al Pearce Show  
WABC—You're in the Act  
WMCA—News; Variety Music  
WQXR—News; Opera House  
3:15-WEAF—Ma Perkins

## ART TODAY

A HOTHOUSE  
VERSION  
OF PASSION

by Marion Summers

MARIA is the darling of the toney set in art. The wife of a South American diplomat, she finds time between official functions to turn out sculptured fantasies which would no doubt shock a lot of her friends if they understood them. I am not a psychiatrist, but even a cursory look is enough to indicate that Maria must be having an awful time with sex. The New York Times art critic almost melted in ecstasy when he saw the show, which would lead one to believe that he also is having a tough time.

Maria's sculpture, which is being shown at the Valentine Gallery, is a hot-house version of passion. The pieces are unclear enough to skirt of realm of pornography and just clear enough to be unmis-takeable. They have a little of the jungle in them to add some extra zip to the usual Surrealism and a little Surrealism to make the jungle a naughty place.

There is no denying that Maria is a very clever sculptor, but not an originator nor an important one. Everything Lipchitz does she does, too, but not as well. Her forms are soft and her textures putty-like. Her art is like an over-luxuriant plant nurtured in the dank and fetid atmosphere of decay.

Among the abstract painters working in America, Arshile Gorky used to be one of the best. He had a feeling for opulent color and simplicity of design which gave his work, although it was obviously dependent on Picasso, an air of richness and sincerity. Today, Gorky, whose exhibition at the Julien Levy Gallery closed Saturday, seems to have switched his allegiance to Andre Masson, with a consequent decline in his art. It has been a long time since I have witnessed so complete a deterioration. The dead white canvases, defiled by aimless black lines and gray smudges, accented by haphazard blotches of red and blue, are not worthy of the talent which Gorky once seemed to have. Only an artist without roots and without direction could go to pot so hopelessly.

Wesley Lea, whose first one-man show is now at the Downtown Gallery, is a young painter of some ability. So many of our young artists have ability. But very few have direction. Without this direction, most of them end up by repeating the things that sell best and confusing success with greatness. There is in Lea's painting a little of Cubism and a lot of Surrealism, a touch of the incomprehensible and a trace of academic drawing. Wesley Lea is just another young American artist with the average amount of talent and proficiency, wandering in a maze of utter confusion.

In contrast to the work of such "fine" artists as Maria, Gorky and Lea are the cartoons of that great American newspaper artist, Fitzpatrick. A selection of his work is being shown at the Associated American Artists. This is not art with a capital A, nor is it the sweet stuff which this gallery peddles throughout America, but some of Fitzpatrick's political cartoons will live long after much of contemporary art will have been forgotten. Fitzpatrick is simple, direct and trenchant. He deals with specific issues of the moment, but through the sharpness of his insight and the quantity of his drawing raises the evanescent to the level of the timeless.

Fitzpatrick is not always politically clear and he is often artistically trite, but he stands within the best traditions of liberal journalism.

## RADIO

WMCA—570 Kc.  
WEAF—590 Kc.  
WOR—710 Kc.  
WJZ—770 Kc.  
WNYO—830 Kc.  
WABC—880 Kc.  
WINS—930 Kc.

WYVD—1230 Kc.  
WNEW—1130 Kc.  
WLIR—1190 Kc.  
WHN—1600 Kc.  
WOV—1800 Kc.  
WJNY—3400 Kc.  
WQXR—1500 Kc.

WMCA—Baseball: Giants-Pittsburgh  
3:30-WEAF—Pepper Young's Family  
WOR—John Giambling, News  
WJZ—Lester, Be Seated  
WABC—Cinderella, Inc.  
3:45-WEAF—Right to Happiness  
4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife  
WOR—Better Half—Quiz  
WJZ—Jack Berch Show  
WABC—House Party  
WMCA—News; Baseball Game  
WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee  
4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas  
WJZ—Beautiful Music  
4:25-WABC—News Reports  
4:30-WEAF—Lorenzo Jones  
WOR—Ask Dr. Eddy  
WABC—Landt Trio, Songs  
4:45-WEAF—Young Widder Brown  
WJZ—Hop Harrigan  
5:00-WEAF—When a Girl Marries  
WOR—Uncle Don  
WJZ—Terry and the Pirates  
WABC—Feature Story  
WMCA—News; Baseball Game  
WQXR—News; Music  
5:15-WEAF—Portia Faces Life  
WOR—Superman  
WJZ—Dick Tracy  
WABC—To Be Announced  
5:30-WEAF—Just Plain Bill  
WOR—Captain Midnight  
WJZ—Jack Armstrong  
WABC—Cimarron Tavern—Sketch  
WMCA—News; Listen to a Story  
WQXR—Old Favorites  
5:45-WEAF—Front Page Farrell  
WOR—Adventures of Tom Mix  
WJZ—Tennessee Jed—Sketch  
WABC—Sparrow and the Hawk  
WQXR—Man About Town—Sue Read

### 6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF—News; Concert Music  
WOR—Easy Aces—Sketch  
WJZ—News; Kierman's Corner  
WABC—Harry Marble, News  
WMCA—News; Talk  
WQXR—News; Music to Remember  
6:15-WOR—Bob Elson, Interview  
WJZ—Ethel and Albert—Sketch  
WABC—Patti Clayton, Songs  
6:25-WQXR—News; Dinner Music  
6:30-WOR—Fred Vandeventer, News  
WJZ—News; Sports Talk  
WABC—Gordon MacRae, Songs  
WMCA—Racing Results  
6:40-WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern  
6:45-WEAF—Lowell Thomas  
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax  
WJZ—Here's Morgan  
WABC—Robert Trout, News  
WMCA—Sports Resume  
7:00-WEAF—Supper Club, Variety

WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr.  
WJZ—Headline Edition  
WABC—Lanny Ross Show  
WMCA—Jack Bigen, News  
WQXR—News; Music  
7:15-WEAF—News of the World  
WOR—The Answer Man  
WJZ—Raymond Swing, News  
WABC—Jack Smith Show  
WMCA—Five-Star Final  
7:30-WEAF—Harris Orchestra  
WOR—Cecil Brown, News  
WJZ—The Lone Ranger  
WABC—Elery Queen  
WMCA—J. Raymond Walsh  
WQXR—Silhouettes in Tune  
7:45-WEAF—H. V. Kaltenborn  
WOR—Sports—Bill Brandt  
WMCA—Sid Gary, Songs  
WHN—Johannes Steel  
8:00-WEAF—Mr. and Mrs. North  
WOR—Can You Top This?  
WJZ—Lum 'n' Abner  
WABC—Jack Carson Show  
WMCA—News; U.N. Rebroadcast  
WQXR—News; Symphony Hall  
8:15-WJZ—The O'Neills—Drama  
8:30-WEAF—Hildegard, Songs  
WOR—Bert Lahr Show  
WJZ—Fishing and Hunting Club  
WABC—Dr. Christian  
WMCA—Congress on the Air  
8:55-WABC—Bill Henry, News

### 9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00-WEAF—Eddie Cantor Show  
WOR—Gabriel Heatter  
WJZ—Jones and I—Play  
WABC—Frank Sinatra Show  
WQXR—News Review  
9:05-WAAT (970 Kc)—Labor Views the News—UE-CIO  
9:15-WOR—Real Life Stories  
WQXR—Great Names  
9:30-WEAF—Mr. District Attorney—Play  
WOR—Cugat's Orchestra  
WJZ—Sammy Kaye Orchestra  
WABC—Bob Crosby Show  
WMCA—When He Comes Home  
WQXR—V-E Day Memorial  
9:55-WJZ—Elmer Davis—News  
10:00-WEAF—Kay Kyser Show  
WOR—Variety Musicale  
WJZ—Ralph Norman Music  
WABC—Great Moments in Music  
WMCA—News; Veterans Service  
WQXR—News; Opera Music  
10:15-WMCA—Henry J. Morgenthau Jr.  
10:30-WOR—The Symphonette  
WJZ—Operation Victory  
WABC—Curt Massey, Songs; David Rose Orchestra  
WMCA—Frank Kingston  
WQXR—String Music  
10:45-WJZ—Kay Armen, Songs  
WMCA—Waltz Music  
11:00-WEAF—WOR—News; Music  
WABC—WJZ—News; Music  
WMCA—News; Amateur Night  
WQXR—News; Symphony Hour  
11:15-WABC—Word From the Country  
11:30-WEAF—Invitation to Music  
12:00-WEAF—News; Music  
WJZ, WMCA—News; Music  
WQXR—News Reports



# Screen Writers Lash Producers on Vet Issue

By DAVID PLATT

The Veterans' Committee of the Screen Writers Guild announces that the SWG at its last membership meeting roundly condemned the run-around being given writer-veterans by the major studios.

Some while back the Guild offered the producers a simple plan calling for the re-employment for a 12-week period of free-lance writers returning from the armed forces. It was an eminently fair plan but the producers rejected it. But they gave their word that all writer-veterans would be rehired. Don't worry about it, they told the Guild. The producers asked for a month's trial period in which to prove their sincerity. The Guild called their bluff. And it was nothing but bluff. At the end of the month only eight of the 28 writer-vets then available were re-hired. At this writing, of the Guild's 119 returned and available members (recognized by the producers as qualified for re-employment), 41 have not yet been employed. This represents some 35 percent of the writers the producers agreed to re-hire, if left to their own conscience.

The Guild membership, Arthur Strawn, chairman of the SWG Vet Committee announced, adopted a "lengthy report outlining past negotiations with producers for a settlement of the vet problem and setting forth future needs of the organization. It then passed a resolution disapproving of the run-around being given writer-veterans in their efforts to obtain a wholly reasonable re-employment program."

The Guild also endorsed an "Open Letter to an Unnamed Motion Picture Producer," by Robert Harari, writer-veteran, who was refused work on the grounds that he hadn't had a single screen-writer's credit in the last three years.

"You are in error, sir," Harari wrote the producer. "In the last three years, S/Sgt. Harari earned two credits. They are entitled: *Amigo Beachhead* and *Cassino*."

"For these, I confess, I won no golden statuette, but a mere Silver Star. And I confess too that they

were no solo jobs; I had several thousand collaborators. But the reviews were glowing, front-paged all over the world. And the returns—the returns were so rich that they contributed, among other things, to your holding your present position, to your company distributing such bright dividends and to this industry not falling into the hands of the enemy."

Harari told the unnamed producer that he valued his war-time credits a lot more than his previous movie credits for such trash as *Day-time Wife*, *Everything Happens at Night*, *Larceny With Music*, *Ice-escapes*, *Music for Madame*, *Sun Valley Serenade*.

"Does the sin of the writer-veteran lie in the fact that he has not as yet become contaminated by the apathy now prevailing in the industry," he asked. "Does his crime consist of bringing with him enthusiasm, freshness of mind, passionate desire to return to creative work? Has his temporary swapping of the Hollywood fiction-world for the reality of life among varied peoples in varied lands diminished his fund of knowledge? Has his forced vacations from Malibu, Palm Springs and Santa Anita given him an unhealthy outlook on the true problems of life?"

Harari said he wasn't bitter, just mystified. Having practiced his trade as a writer for 17 years and served in the Army for only three, he suspects that in "traditional Hollywood fashion," he has now been typed as a soldier.

Speaking for those who in pre-war days were "in demand as veteran writers and are now snubbed as writer-veterans," and also for those who in pre-draft times were welcome as beginners and are now barred as creditless ex-servicemen, Harari concludes: "It seems—doesn't it, Sir?—that we are being penalized for having served our country."

## Talented Poet Of Working Class

Reviewed by JACK MANTY

Among the most talented working class poets in America today are Aaron Kramer, Martha Millet and Vincent Ferrini, with whose works a growing audience is becoming familiar.

Vincent Ferrini, young Massachusetts factory worker, has produced a new pamphlet of verse, dealing with the current wave of strikes against cuts in take-home pay.

It is a fine booklet, passionate, direct in expression and charged with a moving lyricism.

The booklet has been issued by the "People's Culture Committee" of New York. This committee must be commended for hitting upon a novel, though we hope temporary solution of one of the problems of reaching large audiences cheaply—namely, it has printed the pamphlet in what appears to be offset multilith rather than regular type, in order to minimize printing costs.

The opening section of Ferrini's "The Factories" will give you the flavor of his work. He speaks of

"The industrial penitentiaries  
Huge, ugly, ominous,  
Impersonal and man devouring.  
Human hands built the brick  
factories  
Laid the pipe lines  
Connected the wires and boilers.  
These hands are rotted and rotting  
In caskets  
Dead forever

TIDAL WAVE, Poems of the Great Strikes. By Vincent Ferrini. Great Concord Publishers, Grand Central Annex, P.O. Box 1661, New York City. 10c. 16 pp.

Their voices are still in the air  
Mostly unheard  
But the children of the dead  
Who are old now  
Follow in their fathers' foot-  
tracks."

Defects appear, of course, as happens to any young writer; but one can be grateful that he is not effete refined. For one thing, he has a tendency towards piling images and, figures of speech—metaphors, similes—into a jumble. He asks, angrily:

"Is Justice a whore  
With rotting fish in her entrails  
And a stiletto between her  
breasts?"

He refers to a "shovelful of workers . . . in a smokefog room." I think time and experience will prune such excesses.

But what bothers a critic concerned with reaching larger audiences is the insufficient attention by many young progressive talents to deeply rooted traditional forms of poetry.

Ferrini is the author of four other volumes: "No Smoke," "In-junction," "Blood of the Tene-ment" and "Flow in the Ruins." The latter's to be issued soon by the James Decker publishing house.



Sonja Henie, reported "belatedly neutral" when her countrymen needed help.

## Movie Notes

Sonja Henie, Queen of the ice rink, was sharply criticized by one of her countrymen for "remaining neutral too long" while her native Norway was occupied by Nazis. Thor Myklebost, Norwegian press attache in New York during the war, says the noted skate star's help was sought for his Norwegian Information Bureau, as well as for various relief projects, without any response from Miss Henie. "She didn't do anything for us," Myklebost wrote in an Oslo newspaper last week. "She stayed neutral a long time." He coupled her name with an attack on Metropolitan opera singer Kirsten Flagstad, who returned to Norway in 1941 to be with her Quisling husband.

Columbia has purchased the world rights to the Soviet musical *They Met in Moscow* and will re-make it with a Texas plains locale with Rita Hayworth as the star. The original story concerned a love affair between a dashing sheep raiser of Southern Daghestan and a lovely swineherdess of Vologda's northern woods who met at a fair in Moscow. When the film opened at the Victoria in June, 1944, the Daily Worker called it the Oklahoma of Soviet musicals, "gay, fast, light, magnificently photographed and scored."

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## Triangles An' Murder

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Reviewed by LEE LAWSON

In case you don't know by now, "crime doesn't pay" and Warner Bros.' *Her Kind of Man* is another hunk of cinema evidence to prove it. Set in the early '30s, it tells the story of Steve Maddox, and his rise from a petty gambler to a big shot operator.

Despite its moral, the story doesn't stand up under scrutiny and the film's sole interest derives from the constant action, which runs the gamut from a grudge boxing match to a couple of murders.

The story opens in a mid-west night club, owned by Maddox's sister and brother-in-law. Georgia is a vocal soloist at the club and madly in love with Maddox, then at the beginning of his career as a gambler.

When Steve kills another gambler in self-defense, it spoils the lovers plans to go to New York together where Georgia has a part in a Broadway show waiting. Instead, Steve goes to Florida and makes a bankroll. While Steve is wearing himself out, shooting dice, dealing cards and picking up money, Georgia is rehearsing in New York and getting chummy with Corwin, the newspaper man.

From then on it's every man for himself and the coppers get the hindmost. Scenes fade from night club to night club, in and out of sundry gambling houses, and always the final reckoning of the law lurks in the background.



WALTER BERNSTEIN

## Write Script For Vets Garden Meeting

Jerome Chodorov and Walter Bernstein (former *Yank* correspondent and author of *Keep Your Head Down*) have collaborated on *The Voice of the Vets*, the dramatic production which will be presented at Madison Square Garden, Thursday night, May 16, under the auspices of the Veterans' Council of the Independent Citizens' Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions.

Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Olivia De Havilland, Marion Hargrove and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., are among the screen stars and vets who will appear in the production. The Bernstein-Chodorov script is done in the manner of a Security Council meeting with veterans representing the different theaters of war as delegates. The production will feature songs and sketches.

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# Eighth Wonder: Owners Want 'Protection'

If the contractual knots we've already tied around you don't fit, just try on these handcuffs for size. This, in effect, is what the baseball monopolists here are saying to the big league ballplayers.

Certainly there's no other way of viewing the attempts of Larry MacPhail and Branch Rickey to win court protection against the so-called "raids" by the similarly so-called "outlaw" league operated by the Pasquel Brothers in Mexico.

Isn't it amazing, this semi-hysterical yelp for fair play and proper legal amenities that now emanates from every clubowner in the land? Do the baseball magnates utter one tiny word about protection for the ballplayers, whom they have bound hand and foot to "legal contracts" which are akin to the finest features of chattel slavery? Have the big business men of baseball given the slightest indication that they'd be amenable to the idea of a union for baseball workers, wherein the players themselves could be assured some of the "protection" that MacPhail, Rickey and Griffith so loudly want for themselves?

Of course not! The baseball owners not only exercise complete jurisdiction over the lives of baseball players in this country, but now they want the added guarantee of being

able to restrain their players from seeking better working conditions in Mexico.

And how do you imagine the ballplayers feel about this latest maneuver to keep them in American-made chains? Several of Branch Rickey's players, who naturally prefer to remain anonymous, have already voiced their disgust at the court battles initiated by the Dodger and Yankee bosses against the Mexican League.

"If the Brooklyn club has obtained a court order which restrains the Pasquels or their representatives from talking to baseball players in the United States," said one Dodger player, "then I would like to know if major league club officials are now going to tell the players who they should or should not talk to."

Said another Dodger player: "Are the clubowners in this country thinking up another way to keep us shackled to their inequitable contracts? As the agreements are, the owner of a club can terminate a player contract on ten days' notice and the player can't do anything about it. And how about the reserve clause under which a club holds title to a player's service from one season to the next?"

Another one of Branch Rickey's players declared: "I don't think a court order will stop players from going to the Mexican League. I think next winter you will see a batch of established major leaguers jump if the owners do

not satisfy them financially."

Let's sum up. The move by clubowners here to gain court "restraints" against the Mexican League is just the latest of a long line of events to keep baseball players from winning a voice for themselves. Democratic sports-lovers should do all within their power to protest the magnates' maneuver.

And while we don't consider the Mexican League a final solution to the question of winning democratic rights for players in the United States, nonetheless until there's a sound baseball union in this country it seems the players here don't have any other alternative but the Mexican League. The baseball loop below the border is a good example of how baseball should be conducted, without any jimcrow, without any chattel-like contracts.

If the players in the U. S. prefer some other way of achieving equal rights without resorting to the Mexican League—then it's obvious that they must quickly throw full support behind the newly-formed American Baseball Guild, which, once it obtains a majority of players on any given club, would then be able to bargain for: Freedom of contract; collective bargaining; provisions for security, insurance and bonuses; and other demands for the baseball workers in America.

—BILL MARDO.

## In this CORNER

Old Leach Cross Is Still 'Pulling' Teeth

By Bill Mardo

Walk along E. 14 St. just below Fourth Ave. and you'll see a shingle hung up in front of a three-story building. "Leach Cross, Dentist," it says, and if you trot up one flight, a spry, 60-year-old gent will stick his head out from behind his tiny office and sweetly ask how many teeth wouldja like knocked out. Yes, friends, it's the same Leach Cross who at the turn of the century began to earn a rep as one of the best teeth-knocker-outers in the lightweight division.

Leach is a sweet gent who bears all the obvious marks of his former profession; the rasping voice and the battered nose; but he loves to talk, and I, for one, could listen hours on end as he spins those wonderful tales of the fist-fighting business back in the old days, when boxing was a wild and woolly trade for any young kid to get mixed up with.

It was in 1903 that the 17-year-old Leach Cross had his first fight. Leach was selling soft drinks at the old Longacre A.C. and was known as one of the finest street fighters on the East Side. One night Frankie Madden's opponent didn't show up, and they put the anxious Cross on the card. "I was holding my own until he belted me cold late in the first round," the balding, bespectacled dentist recalled. He received \$3 as his purse, and right then and there Leach decided it was a pretty easy way of making some dough.

"I was 100 percent improved in my next fight," Leach grinned. Yes, we inquired, how did you fare? "Got flattened in the second round." But the young Jewish scrapper whom the fans called "Skinny" quickly learned the tricks of the trade and began his climb to the top.

He was clever, fast as foot, and had a nice kick in his right hand. Within five years Leach was fighting the best of them, was one of the biggest draws in the business, and earned about \$225,000 during his 18-year ring career. Leach used to keep a diary and make notations about each of his opponents after a bout. The best scrap he ever had was with Paddy McFarland and, after he lost that one, Cross made this observation about McFarland's style: "Just don't fight him again."

"I could always beat the sluggers," he told us, "but never the clever guys like McFarland, Jem Driscoll or Freddie Welsh."

The old-timer considers Joe Gans the greatest lightweight who ever lived. "What grace that guy had! They tried to match me with Gans when he was already sick and just a shell of his former self. They told me he'd be a pushover. So one night I went down to watch old Gans fight, and after the scrap was over I told my manager: 'Yeah, he's sick all right, but he ain't sick enough yet for me to wanna fight him.'"

There are only a few things Leach has against the boxing game. One is the almost chronic disease which affects most famous brawlers. "We all wind up broke. When you've got the dough, everybody expects you to live high and throw it around like water. By the time you're through, there isn't a penny left."

And that's why Leach Cross is back at the trade he was studying for prior to entering the ring—knocking out teeth with a pliers instead of a pair of leather mittens.

## Louis-Conn Ducats Now on Sale

Tickets for the Joe Louis-Billy Conn heavyweight championship bout at the Yankee Stadium, June 19th, ranging from \$10 to \$100, go on public sale this morning at Promoter Mike Jacobs' Twentieth Century Sporting Club in Madison Square Garden. The price range includes: \$100 for ringside and Maxamino; \$50, \$30 and \$20 for lower stands; \$30 for upper boxes, \$20 and \$10 for upper stands and \$10 and \$5 for the open stands.

## Yank Order Against Pasquels Delayed by Court Until May 16

Yankee president Larry MacPhail's attempt to gain a permanent restraint injunction against the Mexican Baseball League was postponed until May 16 by State Supreme Court Justice Julius Miller at a hearing of Special Sessions yesterday.

Counsel for Jorge and Bernardo Pasquel, Mexican League president and vice president respectively, asked for the postponement because he was waiting for "essential evidence" from Mexico City.

Justice Miller granted the request despite vehement protest by Louis J. Carroll, attorney for MacPhail.

The other men named in MacPhail's restraint order, in addition to the Pasquels, are Herald Tribune sports writer Rud Rennie, Mario Lousac, business associate of the Pasquels, John Ober, a sports columnist, and Carols Baz, travel agent.

Bernardo Pasquel declared yesterday after the hearing was postponed: "We come to court with no apologies for our actions and we will have several surprises for both Mr. MacPhail and Mr. Rickey."

Dodger boss Branch Rickey's plea for a permanent injunction against the Pasquels doesn't come before the St. Louis court until May 14th. At Rickey's request, Federal Judge Ruben M. Hullen issued a temporary restraining order in St. Louis against Jorge and Bernardo Pasquel, Mario Lousac, Robert James, and Ray J. Gillespie, St. Louis Star-Times sports writer whom the Brooklyn club names as one of Pasquel's representatives.

The Dodgers are also trying to win damages for the loss of Mickey Owen and Luis Olmo, two former Brooklyn stars who left the club to play in the Mexican League for salaries much higher than that which they were receiving under Rickey.

Bernardo Pasquel also said in New York yesterday that he was confident the Mexican League would win the legal battle, adding that he believed the court case would eventually become a test of the legality of player contracts in the United States, which he said would not hold up in court.

## 70 PCL Players Ask Membership in New Baseball Union

BOSTON, May 7 (UP).—Between 60 and 70 players of Pacific Coast League teams have applied for membership in the American Baseball Guild on their own initiative, Robert Murphy, founder of the Guild, disclosed today.

Several of those interested are members of the San Francisco Seals, Murphy said.

## Jimmy Johnston Dies of Sudden Heart Attack

James J. Johnston, 70, veteran fight promoter and manager, died suddenly at his home early yesterday of a heart ailment. For years he had been one of boxing's most colorful figures.

Johnston, former matchmaker at Madison Square Garden, promoter at various ball parks, and manager of hundreds of fighters—including heavyweight challengers Bob Pastor and big Abe Simon—was preparing to begin promoting at Ebbets Field next month in opposition to Mike Jacobs.

## Giants Bow; Bosox and Tigers Win

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York ... 000 000 100—1 5 1  
Cincinnati ... 100 010 00x—2 7 0  
Carpenter, Trinkle (8), and Lombardi; Beggs and Lamanno. Losing pitcher, Carpenter. Home runs, Frey, Mize.

Brooklyn at Pittsburgh, postponed, rain.  
Philadelphia at Chicago, postponed, rain.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE (14 innings)

St. Louis ... 130 200 000 000—5 19 2  
Boston ... 002 002 200 000 04—10 12 2  
Kramer, Shirley (8), and Mancuso; Hughson, Deutsch (3), Heflin (5), Dreisewerd (7), and Wagner. Winning pitcher, Dreisewerd. Losing pitcher, Shirley. Home runs, Williams, Culberson.

Detroit ... 012 001 012—7 10 1  
Philadelphia ... 000 000 101—2 9 2  
Trout and Tobbett; Fowler, Flores (8), and Rosar. Losing pitcher, Fowler. Home run, Greenberg.

(10 innings)  
Cleveland ... 000 000 001 0—1 5 1  
Washington ... 000 000 100 1—2 7 2  
Embree, Harder (8), and Lollar; Haefner and Evans. Losing pitcher, Harder.

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**Map CP Membership Drive:** Leaders of the New York and Kings County Communist Party organizations meeting with State Vice-President Israel Amter to map the competition between the two counties in the current Communist Party membership drive. The winner will be decided not only by greater percentage of quota reached but by industrial, Negro and veterans' composition. Judges will be Councilmen Peter V. Cacchione and Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., State Chairman Robert Thompson, Amter, and Betty Gannett of the National Drive Commission. Picture shows, from left to right, James Tormey, organization secretary, Manhattan; Carl Vedro, executive secretary, Brooklyn; Amter; George Blake, executive secretary Manhattan; and William Albertson, organization secretary, Brooklyn.

—Daily Worker Photo

## Rail Union Urges Gov't Ownership

CLEVELAND, May 7 (UP).—A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, today urged government ownership of all railroads as the only means to correct their "over-capitalization," and called on Congress to effect immediate seizure.

Whitney asked Congress to enact legislation to "impound all funds and make suitable adjustments of grievances with employees" before the strike date set for May 18.

He said he made his request of Congress "due to the obstinacy of the railroads and the fact that they are unwilling to make a reasonable settlement with their employees."

Both the trainmen and officials of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers walked out of a meeting with the carriers in Chicago last week after turning down the settlement proposals advanced by the President's fact-finding board.

Whitney suggested that the government pay the railroads "on the basis of the average price of stocks and bonds during the past five years, issue 3 percent bonds to liquidate the debt and allow holders of railroad bonds the actual amount they paid for them."

## Canadian Loan To Britain Voted

OTTAWA, May 7 (UP).—The Canadian loan of \$1,250,000,000 to the United Kingdom was approved by Parliament today by a vote of 167 to 6.

## Students, Vets Rally for Peace

Queens College was the scene of a peace demonstration yesterday when 400 students gathered to protest future wars of aggression. The rally was initiated by the American Veterans Committee.

Similar demonstrations take place today at Columbia University, Hunter College and New York University. The Columbia rally will hear Prof. Walter Rautenstrach and Russell Nixon of the CIO electrical union.

The meeting is sponsored by the Columbia Committee for a Permanent Peace. Veterans organizations are sponsoring the NYU meeting and the Student Council backs the Hunter mobilization.

American Youth for Democracy and other groups sponsor a rally tomorrow in the main building of City College of New York.

The Columbia Committee for a Permanent Peace sent a call to 600 colleges and universities throughout the country to celebrate the first anniversary of V-J Day by raising anti-war demands.

## Citation Awarded To USO Groups

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—A joint Army-Navy citation was presented USO Organizations today for their "unique and outstanding service" of World War II.

Presentation was made by Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson and Acting Secretary of the Navy John L. Sullivan, at a luncheon at the Pentagon.

## Discuss Inter-Cultural Camp Plans Tonight

Plans for an inter-cultural summer camp will be discussed tonight at the New School for Social Research by a group of founders who believe that children of different races and religions "will not only live harmoniously, but will also prove that the tenets of democracy and equality can become a guide to adult living."

The camp is the first project of the Woodlawn Foundation, which was established in 1945 to advance the principles of racial equality among young children.

## Allied Vienna Parade Will Honor V-E Day

VIENNA, May 7 (UP).—The first anniversary of victory over Nazi Germany will be marked here tomorrow by military parades and reviews by about 1,200 Allied troops.

Each of the four Allied powers occupying Austria—American, British, Soviet and French—will participate in the review with 300 troops and one band. The troops will parade through the central part of the city at 11 a.m.

# City Committee Will Coordinate Famine Aid Drive

Plans for coordinating the city's Famine Emergency Drive will be worked out tomorrow at the initial meeting of a recently-organized executive committee, it was learned yesterday.

Drive Coordinator will be Alex Williams, who headed the fat salvage campaign during the war.

Mayor O'Dwyer is honorary head of the committee. The chairman is Newbold Morris, former president of the City Council and No Deal candidate for Mayor last year.

A representative committee of 82, including leaders of labor, women's, civic, industrial and various other groups has been set up to handle the drive.

## DRIVE NOT ENOUGH

While the drive is an important part of the fight against worldwide starvation it cannot by itself meet the emergency, all observers agree.

The Communist Party has called upon the President to reinstitute a rationing system for essential foods and to handle relief on a much broader scale than has thus far been planned.

The Communists also insisted on changes in the setup to guarantee food is not used as a weapon. Among these are the immediate dismissal of Herbert Hoover and

the granting of supervisory or advisory powers to the World Federation of Trade Unions.

## Ukraine Need Told By UNRRA Deputy

MOSCOW, May 7 (UP).—The Ukraine, once the breadbasket of Central Europe but largely ruined by the war, would be starving without the aid of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, Paul White, American deputy chief of the UNRRA mission to the Ukraine, said today.

White, who is preparing to return to the United States, said there is plenty of bread in the Ukraine but a severe shortage of fats, UNRRA has already supplied the area with 150,000 tons of canned meats, fats and other foods.

The UNRRA food is being distributed through state stores at fixed prices, with the proceeds being turned back into the reconstruction of ruined towns.

White praised the distribution system for keeping the food off the black market.

# ACW Votes \$200,000 For CIO Drive in South

By ART SHIELDS

ATLANTIC CITY, May 7. — Amalgamated Clothing Workers delegates voted "enthusiastic support" and \$200,000 cash to the CIO's southern drive today, in a convention session highlighted by dramatic appeals by a dozen rank and file workers from Dixie.

Ernie Wright, Negro garment worker from New Orleans, was one of the most eloquent.

"I worked for six, seven and eight cents an hour before the CIO came," he cried from the floor. "And I want to be sure that such conditions never come back. If our people were good enough to give their lives for their country, without thinking of race, color or creed, they are good enough to earn a decent living in peacetime."

But the fight will be fierce, with less than 20 percent of the southern workers in the unions, other speakers reminded.

"Our CIO local unions in Texas, Alabama, Tennessee and the Carolinas are like beleaguered fortresses," said Harold Marthenke of Nashville, Tenn. "The last frontier of labor has still to be won."

Speakers emphasized the stake of the whole nation in the job of organizing the workers who will follow the CIO's Political Action Committee to the polls next fall in the battle with the congressional bourgeois.

"Our hopes of defeating the reactionary machine of Sen. Harry F. Byrd in Virginia depend on the success of the CIO drive," said the Rev. Charles Webber of Richmond, president of the CIO Council in his state.

Secretary-treasurer Jacob S. Potofsky said a better America would follow the end of feudalism in the South.

## HEAR VET PLEA

Seven disabled veterans pleaded for help in saving the England Boardwalk Hospital, which the government is about to give up. The

veterans got an ovation as paralyzed men were wheeled to the rostrum and one-legged men hobbled up the steps.

"We're appealing to labor because Washington won't listen to us," said Al Naham, of Asbury Park. "The President won't see us."

Barney Berck, of 1504 Sheridan Ave., the Bronx, chairman of the veterans' group, said the boys who fought in France, the Far East and the Pacific were being sacrificed so the owners of the hotels (the Haddon Hall and the Chalfonte) could make millions.

The convention voted support in the fight, and Hillman assured the veterans he would take the matter up with Secretary of War Patterson this weekend.

The fight to jack up educational and unemployment insurance benefits for veterans also got convention support. A union program for training veterans in the skilled clothing trade was enthusiastically approved.

Hillman said the ACW seeks to absorb 100,000 veterans in the clothing industry.

Louis Hollander, chairman of the New York Joint Board, said the union has already begun training 5,000 veterans. Starting as learners at 65 cents, wages are stepped up to \$1.00 an hour, with piece work rates, averaging considerably more, to follow.

Bills to end the poll tax and set up a permanent FEPC were unanimously endorsed. Another resolution scored the National Labor Relations Board for its "bias against the CIO and in favor of rival labor organizations."

Enil Rieve, president of the CIO's Textile, Workers Union, also spoke. Sen. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.), will speak tomorrow.



## The Face of Hunger:

These famine-wracked Chinese faces tell their own story. Left, a Chinese lad, himself gaunt with hunger, carries his mother from their Hunan farm to the village of Kung Ping (left) where defected families await a slim UNRRA emergency ration. Hunan, China's rice bowl, was stripped of much of its remaining stores by Kuomintang armies headed north. Almost a "Hon's share" of food allocated to China by the Anglo-Canadian-American Combined Food Board goes to British-occupied Hongkong.



# Stalin Lauds FDR in VE Message

## AMITY RALLY HEARS TRIBUTES FROM LITVINOV AND DAVIES

Tribute to the memory of the late President Roosevelt as one of the leaders in the defeat of German fascism was paid last by Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin. On the first anniversary of the German surrender, Stalin recalled the contribution of the late President to "the development of friendly relations between the United States of America and the Soviet Union."

Stalin's message was one of many from leading figures in public life on both sides of the ocean to the annual dinner of the American-Russian Institute at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

Twelve hundred persons witnessed the award of a plaque by the Institute to the Roosevelt family for strengthening American-Soviet ties. The award, a bronze plaque designed by William Zorach, was presented on behalf of the Institute by Joseph E. Davies, former U. S. Ambassador to the Soviet Union, and was accepted for the Roosevelt family by Senator Claude Pepper.

Stalin's message stated:

"I can only welcome the noble initiative of the American-Russian Institute in perpetuating the memory of the late President Roosevelt. Humanity should be thankful to that great statesman for his outstanding services in the routing of the German-Japanese aggression, and the peoples of our countries, in addition, for the development of friendly relations between the United States of America and the Soviet Union."

Greetings were also read from Maxim Litvinov, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, USSR. Litvinov described his own warm relations with President Roosevelt, and he praised the efforts of the late President in behalf of "continuous Soviet-American cooperation."

Litvinov concluded:

"At the present moment, when international relations demand nothing so much as stability and friendly cooperation between the leading powers for the solution of most important problems, I believe it especially apposite and instructive to call to mind the beneficial role played by the great President Roosevelt in the history of Soviet-American relations."

Stoyan Gavrilovic, Yugoslav delegate to the United Nations General Assembly, spoke at the dinner. He paid tribute to "the powerful leader of the everlasting struggle for the betterment of mankind, the staunch protagonist and supporter of American-Russian friendship,

the late President of the United States, Franklin Delano Roosevelt."

In what was interpreted as a direct thrust at anti-Soviet currents in the present Washington administration, Davies warned that peace would not be preserved unless the Roosevelt legacy of American-Soviet friendship was preserved.

"It was American-Russian mutual understanding which insured unity vital to winning the war," Davies said. "That was a distinctive contribution, not only to victory but to any hope for a durable peace."

"That was the legacy which our President left not only to our country but to humanity. Unless that inheritance is preserved through continued mutual confidence, both as to purpose and conduct, there will be no peace."

Davies referred only obliquely to the historic controversy on the Second Front, currently revived by Ralph Ingersoll's best-seller *Top Secret*, in which the charge is flatly made that British Prime Minister Winston Churchill opposed a cross-channel Allied crossing early in the war in order to bleed the Russians white.

"Stalin's confidence in Roosevelt was strengthened by his knowledge that the President and our military leaders had consistently urged a cross-channel operation from 1941 to 1944," Davies said.

"As Stalin and Roosevelt came to know each other that relationship grew constantly stronger. They stripped the world's political and military situations down to the elementary conditions vital to themselves and peace. They found how far each could go."

The late President was named the first recipient of the annual award in a public opinion poll conducted by the Institute during the past few months. The overwhelming majority of 16,000 educators, writers, editors, professional men and women named President Roosevelt.

In conjunction with the award, the American-Russian Institute announced that the competition for its \$1,500 Franklin D. Roosevelt scholarship for study in the Soviet Union had been closed. The winner will be announced next month.

Founded 20 years ago as a non-political organization to exchange cultural, scientific and industrial information, the Institute has offices at 58 Park Ave., N. Y.

## MARITIME UNIONS NAME COMMITTEE ON STRIKE DATA

Special to the Daily Worker

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—The national convention of seven maritime unions today named a committee to bring in a recommendation for a joint strike and the date when it should be called.

The committee to report tomorrow, is chaired by Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union with William J. Bailey of the Marine Firemen as secretary.

Harry Bridges, West Coast leader of the International Longshoremen's Union, proposed June 1 as the strike date.

The problem of unity in the maritime union field will be handled through another committee to be named after the strike question is disposed of.

Discussion continued today on the proposal of the interim committee for the conference that any strike action against shipowners should be taken jointly.

Speakers, describing the experience of their own unions, emphasized further negotiations are fruitless, and that a walkout must be called soon.

Joseph Selly, president of the American Communications Association, said that "anyone who places reliance on the Truman administration is fooling himself." He observed that the shipowners wield "tremendous political influence," and stressed the importance of political action to counteract their advantage.

"Time is of the essence," said Bridges. "The shipowners are preparing. They have a program of imperialism. They have a program of war. You can't separate the question of pork chops at home from pork chops in other countries."

The convention today unanimously voted for a wire to the national chairman and congressional leaders of the Republican and Democratic parties urging passage of the permanent FEPC bill.

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## Baby-Sitter Acquitted; Case Will Go to Children's Court

By JOHN MELDON

A jury of 10 men and two women yesterday rendered a verdict of "not guilty" in the case of 14-year-old Jack Turk whom the state had originally attempted to send to the electric chair for causing the death of three-year-old Sybil Gurfein. The verdict was spoken by jury foreman Victor Di La Feuna.

to a hushed court as the grief-stricken parents of the lad sat in the second row of the spectators' benches.

A moment before the jury delivered its finding, Judge Peter J. Farrell warned the courtroom that "we want no demonstration, no matter what it (the verdict) is." But when Feunte delivered his barely audible words, Mrs. Jean Turk, the frail mother of the boy, gasped loudly and fell into a dead faint. The father, Morris, a slight-statured Forrester Hills furrier, began to sob and tried to keep his wife from slipping to the floor. Court attendants administered first aid.

Shortly after 10 a.m. yesterday, Judge Farrell delivered a lengthy charge to the jury.

It was obvious that Judge Farrell had no heart for trying a 14-year-old, highly confused boy upon a charge of first degree murder. In his charge, he repeatedly pointed out that the youthful defendant was a minor in the eyes of the law, and actually came within the legal definition of being an "infant."

He instructed the jury to find the 14-year-old boy either guilty of first or second degree murder—or acquit him entirely of the charge which had been pressed by Assistant District Attorney J. Irwin Shapiro.

The jury deliberated for three and a half hours.

After the verdict, Shapiro informed the court that he would seek to have the case tried before the

Children's Court. It was assumed the charge would be juvenile delinquency.

Young Turk sat with his head down, nervously picking at his fingers as the jury filed in.

The trial was widely condemned by a public which believed that the case was properly one within the custody of juvenile authorities.

Young Turk had been hired by Mr. and Mrs. Gurfein to act as a sitter. Turk, according to an alleged confession, strangled the child with several pieces of cord after he had made the child cry following a sex experiment with a contraceptive.

The Gurfeins were not present in court yesterday.

## It'd Go Faster If They Got Out of China

WASHINGTON, May 7 (UP).—All male Marines with 30 points will be eligible for discharge on May 15, Marine Corps headquarters announced today.

This is a reduction of three points in the present minimum. Points necessary for discharge of males will be further lowered to 26 points on June 1. By July 1, any male Marine with 30 months of active duty will qualify for discharge, regardless of points.

Demobilization points for women Marines were reduced to eight on May 1. They will be cut to four on June 1 and to nothing on July 1.

## Trinchillo Guilty In 2nd Degree

Sixteen-year-old Nicholas Trinchillo was found guilty of second degree murder yesterday by a Kings County jury for the slaying of Mrs. Pauline Goldfire, 53, in Brooklyn last Oct. 27.

Trinchillo blanched and yelled: "Your Honor, I didn't kill the lady. I only said so because I didn't want to go back to Warwick." Warwick is a state reform school from which he had escaped.

The youthful defendant faces 20 years to life. He was only 15 when he was picked up for alleging bludgeoning Mrs. Goldfire to death in her dry goods store. He will be held in the Raymond Street Jail until sentence is pronounced by Judge Louis Goldstein next week.

## Australia Executes Japan War Criminal

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7 (UP).—Shigeo Uemura, a Japanese naval sub-lieutenant, has been executed before an Australian firing squad as a war criminal, Radio Australia said today in a broadcast recorded here by United Press.

Uemura was found guilty of murdering four Australian airmen. He was tried by the war crimes court at Morotai.

## Dear Reader:

### Daily Worker Demands Removal of Demarest

GOVERNOR THOMAS E. DEWEY  
State Capitol, Albany, N. Y.

Disclosure that Queens County Motor Vehicle Commissioner Horace A. Demarest was original incorporator of Ku Klux Klan in New York State disqualifies him for public office. Public interest requires his prompt dismissal. We also urge you meet today with delegation of citizens representing New York Committee for Justice in Prospect.

Nearly three months have passed since Feb. 5 slaying of Charles and Alonzo Ferguson by patrolman Joseph Rinaldi. Victim Charles Ferguson in U. S. Army uniform exonerated of wrong-doing by Army investigation. Justice demands executive probe superseding Nassau County District Attorney James H. Gehrig. EDITORS, DAILY WORKER.

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There were other men of good will, besides the Communists, who urged Gov. Dewey to fire Motor Vehicle Commissioner Horace A. Demarest.

But the Daily Worker was the first to expose the fact that the Ku Klux Klan was again active in New York State.

The Daily Worker, on April 9, was the first to prove that Secretary of State Thomas J. Curran was not telling the truth when he said the KKK was not operating on a certificate from his office.

The Daily Worker was the first to publish the incorporation papers listing

ex-Commissioner Demarest as one of the incorporators.

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